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Moratorium on solar requested from County Commissioners

BY BOB DEMAREE

With the technical committee of the Jefferson County Plan Commission meeting Tuesday to consider potential solar updates to its Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), the possibility was discussed on issuing a moratorium on solar applications.

Orion Renewable Energy Group LLC

has an application scheduled to come before the county's Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) on Tuesday, Oct. 1, for a proposed \$850 million solar project near Paynesville in Saluda Township.

The technical committee met with Amy Williams, principal/partner with Taylor Siefker Williams Design Group, to consider potential updates, discussing

eight items on Tuesday with plans to discuss seven more at another meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 15, at the Troy Morgan Public Safety Center, 620 Green Road.

Separate from the Plan Commission's work, the Jefferson County Commissioners have scheduled a public meeting to

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Grocery shopping returns to downtown Madison with opening of DG Market

BY BOB DEMAREE

The wait is over for a grocery in downtown Madison with a soft open Thursday and a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18, for the new DG Market.

"The opening of the DG Market represents the continued pursuit of our Destination Madison plan which focuses on elevating Madison's quality of life for all," said Madison Mayor Bob Courtney. "A neighborhood market is vital to the fabric of downtown and I'm very grateful to DG and our developer partner, Rafferty Development, for making this substantial investment in our community. Our economic development department, led by Tony Steinhardt, and our Redevelopment Commission, led by John Grote, along with invaluable support from County Councilman Ray Black, all of whom worked tirelessly over several years to bring this to fruition."

The ribbon-cutting will include brief remarks from

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The new DG Market in Madison — the city's first downtown grocery in more than six years since Ruler Foods closed in the same building on March 31, 2018 — was still stocking shelves and installing coolers on Thursday morning with plans for a soft opening later that day and a full opening today, Friday, Sept. 13.

The store will hold its opening ceremony and ribbon-cutting at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Mark Campbell



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"Anthony"
Richardson

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Doren

Months-long probe leads to 25 arrests on drug-related charges

BY THE COURIER STAFF

A months-long, multi-department investigation, called "Operation Iceberg," has led to 25 drug-related arrests and removed pounds of methamphetamine and a significant amount of cocaine from Jefferson County, said Prosecutor David Sutter.

"This investigation was a major success resulting from hundreds of hours of work by officers from multiple law enforcement agencies. It demonstrates the positive outcomes that occur when law enforcement agencies collaborate," said Sutter. He further noted that Detective Mark Jenkins and Sergeant Adam Bullock of the Indiana State Police provided invaluable leadership throughout the investigation.

The investigation began in February after authorities learned that Christopher Rodgers Doren, 47, of Madison, was allegedly a major supplier of methamphetamine in Jefferson County. Throughout the investigation, officers were able to confirm that Doren made at least 65 trips to Louisville, where he allegedly obtained meth and cocaine from Darren Richardson, also known as Anthony Richardson, 34, Louisville.

On Aug. 15, Doren was arrested on four counts of dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 felony; one count of dealing in methamphetamine as a Level 4 felony; one count of conspiracy to deal methamphetamine, a Level 2 felony; and one count of conspiracy to deal cocaine, also a Level 2 felony. Doren is being held on a \$500,000 full cash bond in Jefferson County.

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Local mezzo-soprano Bateman set to perform Sept. 20

The renovated Cotton Mill turned hotel, located near the bridge downtown, has created quite a sensation, both locally and even nationally. And speaking for myself, I just assumed that Ron and Marlene Bateman, key investors and drivers behind the project, were attracted here by the hotel opportunity, and then decided to stay in Madison. But in fact, it was really the other way around.

"We moved to Madison first," explains Marlene, "and then later became enchanted by the huge potential looming in the historic riverfront factory structure. Ron and I both have Indiana roots, so after many years in Alaska and reaching retirement age, we decided to move back and become permanent Hoosiers. Ron literally looked at every house for sale in the entire state for a while, but once we discovered Madison, we knew this would be the place."



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ROHLFING
CHARLIE'S BEAT

"Ron was an architect and project developer in Alaska, and I was active in the Anchorage and Fairbanks operas and symphonies as a classically trained vocalist. I went to Indiana Wesleyan for my undergrad in vocal performance, and got my doctorate at University of Texas. I made a lot of great friends in Alaska in those years, singing in three operas a year and many classical performances."

Which brings us to the crux of this week's column, the upcoming Madison performance by Marlene and two of her old singing partners from her time in Alaska. Dubbed "The Three Sopranos," the performance will take place at the Cotton Mill's Picker House at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 20. The event, sponsored by the Madison Performing Arts Foundation, is free and open to the public but donations are appreciated.

"The Picker House is at the rear of the Cotton Mill Fairfield," explains Marlene. "It was part of the factory complex when the building was a textile mill. Today it is completely renovated to host performances and receptions, with one of the largest video wall installations anywhere in the region. It also has great acoustics, which as singers we are very excited about."

"The two other singers are Kate Egan, who still lives in Alaska, and Anastasia Jamieson, who moved down to Boulder, Colorado, some time ago. I'm really looking forward to having my friends and fellow vocalists in town for a week or so, rehearsing and showing them around our lovely town. Oh, I need to mention, the amazing Starla Raley will be accompanying us on piano."

"People who attend the performance on Friday the 20th can look forward to some

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LODGINGS

September 9, 2024
Shaw E. Stewart, 51, Lexington, Indiana, to serve 20 days jail, concurrent, on a weekender sentencing. No bond.

Angela Christine Shafer, 44, Madison on warrants for failure to appear (burglary, drug and operating while intoxicated charges). Bond a combined \$20,000 cash.

David Wayne Lee McCormick, 51, Madison, to serve 90 days jail, consecutive, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Clayton Allen Hall, 41, Madison, for Battery, a Level 5 felony; Criminal Recklessness, a Level 6 felony; Leaving the Scene of an Injury Crash, a Class A misdemeanor and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

Ashley Rose Geyman, 26, Madison, for Neglect of a Dependent and Resisting Law Enforcement, both Level 6 felonies; Theft, a Class A misdemeanor; and Disorderly Conduct and Public Intoxication Alcohol/Drugs, both Class B misdemeanors. No bond.

Cynthia N. Catlett, 39, Madison, on an unspecified warrant. No bond.

September 10, 2024

Ryan Christopher McFadden, 38, Madison, on a court-ordered sentencing for misdemeanor probation violation. No bond.

Rebecca Rene Rice, 46, Madison, to hold on an out of state warrant for Carroll County, Kentucky. No bond.

September 11, 2024

Joshua Scott Broughton, 44, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Troy Alan Bucher, 53, Mishawaka, Indiana, for Communication-Intimidation and Theft, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Rank Carter, 40, Madison, on a Jefferson County warrant for failure to appear. Bond \$2,500 cash.

Jonathon David Clark, 50, Hanover, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Sabrina Lynn Clark, 35, Hanover, for Neglect of a Dependent and Possession of Methamphetamine, both Level 6 felonies; and Marijuana Cultivation and Possession of Marijuana, both Class B misdemeanors. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Sean Eugene Cooksey, 56, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Matthew Michele R. Cyrus, 40, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Lawrence Nathaniel Davis, 32, Scipio, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant (strangulation and domestic battery). Bond \$15,000 cash.

Ralph Wayne Davis II, 52, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Mandy Lane Demaree, 51, Vevay, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant and for Possession of a Schedule Drug,

a Level 6 felony; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Gregory Todd Griffin, 58, Versailles, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Jonathon Raymond Grunden-Durham, 31, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony; and on an unspecified warrant. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Jennifer Elizabeth Hendrix, 41, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Larry W. Howard III, 52, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Jeanie Carol Lansberg, 54, Commiskey, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Mark Ellis Lewis, 58, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$500,000 cash.

Richard Kyle Lock, 44, Dupont, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

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Jordan Travis Stewart, 33, Lexington, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Jeremy T. Webster, 40, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$250,000 cash.

Rodney Paul Yount II, 40, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

September 12, 2024
Chad Uebel, 48, Deputy, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant and an unspecified warrant. Bond a combined \$510,000 cash.

Timothy J. Craig, 58, Madison, to serve 62 days jail on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

**JEFFERSON
COUNTY CIRCUIT &
SUPERIOR COURT**

SENTENCINGS

September 9, 2024

Everett Shawn Blais, 48,

Madison, to an amended charge of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon, a Level 4 felony. Sentenced to 6 years at Indiana Department of correction, fully executed, with credit for 229 days served plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Shawn E. Stewart, 51, Lexington, Indiana, to amended charges of Criminal Confinement and Domestic Battery, both Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction on each count, concurrent, with credit for 140 days served plus \$239 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order dismissed.

Tera N. Bryant, 33, Louisville, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Holly Celeste Lemm, 41, Madison, to amended charges of Possession of Methamphetamine & Theft, both Level 6 felonies; and Criminal Trespass, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the drug felony consecutive to 180 days at IDOC on the theft felony, all suspended, consecutive to 8 days jail on the trespass misdemeanor, served. Placed on consecutive supervised probation for 725 days plus \$789 in fees and court costs.

Jessie Earl Robinson, 60, Madison, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended except for 20 days to be executed on weekends and 345 days suspended to supervised probation to run consecutive to balance of 355 days probation related to prior operating while intoxicated conviction. Defendant must obtain a valid license and pay \$289.50 in fees and court costs.

Roberto Mendoza, 35, Madison, for Operating Without Ever Obtaining a License, a Class C misdemeanor. Released on own recognition.

Devin N. Mossey, 25, Madison, for Domestic Battery, a Level 5 felony; and Strangulation and Criminal Confinement, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Jennifer Jo Phillips, 52, Madison, for Maintaining a Common Nuisance, a Level 6 felony. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Jason Allen Posey, 47, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

Garrett Briar Schlichtkrull, 30, on a Jefferson County parole violation warrant. No bond.

Jordan Travis Stewart, 33, Lexington, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$100,000 cash.

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COUNTY CIRCUIT &
SUPERIOR COURT**

SENTENCINGS

September 9, 2024

Everett Shawn Blais, 48,

Madison, to an amended charge of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon, a Level 4 felony. Sentenced to 60 days jail with credit for 2 days served and 58 days suspended to 353 days supervised probation plus \$589.50 in fees and court costs with driver's license suspended for 90 days with specialized driving privileges granted.

Lauren Nicole Furnish, 38, Madison, for Visiting a Common Nuisance, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Loren P. Day, 47, Madison, for Domestic Battery, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 156 days jail, served plus \$339 in fees and court costs.

Amanda Kathryn Ancil, 49, Anderson, Indiana, to an amended charge of Auto Theft, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 360 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 12 days served and 348 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs.

Kyle Anthony Jaynes, 32, Madison, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 360 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 124 days jail served plus \$589.50 in fees and court costs and driver's license suspended for 365 days. Defendant also found in violation of parole and ordered to serve 90 days of suspended sentence for invasion of privacy and 360 days of a suspended sentence for domestic battery.

Larry Scott Miller, 57, Hanover, to an amended charge of Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail with credit for 6 days served and 174 days supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order to remain in effect as a term of probation with modifications.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY

September 9, 2024

Thomas Fellows and Paula Fellows to Zachary C. Brokaw and Lucinda M. Brokaw, 137 Presbyterian Avenue, Hanover.

Byron Balser to William Shobe, 2 acres at 6000+ North East Prong road, Madison.

William Shobe to Matthew S. Schwartz, two tracts totaling approximately 40 acres at 6000+ North East Prong Road, Madison.

Michael Dennis, Gary Lee Dennis (estate) and Gary Dennis to David Varble, Donald W. Varble, James Sommermeyer and Darcy Sommermeyer, 5.75 acres at 5625 West Prospect Road, Hanover.

Rhonda Kay Western Rivers to Sheriden Thompson, 1640 Valley Drive, Madison.

Kimberly L. Bickers to William Thomas Bickers Jr., 267 East Schafer Lane, Madison.

James B. Sweatt to Douglas Fultz and Annette A. Fultz, 947 West Second Street, Madison.

David B. Nevitt to Jeffrey House and Alissa Ringle, approximately 36.3 acres at 12029 West Henry Road, Deputy.

Phillips Development Inc. to Gayle Liter and Brenda Liter, 152 Waterford Court, Madison.

September 10, 2024

J.C. Dunn and Lucille Dunn to Samuel Hiram Rosales II, two tracts totaling approximately 13.8 acres at 2500+ East State Road 62, Canna.

Aaron P. Perry and Yamileth P. Perry to Danisa Properties LLC, 200+ Rockwood Boulevard, Madison.

Julie L. Boggs and Sarah A. Kessen to Julie L. Boggs, Sarah A. Kessen and Melissa D. Newman, 3390 North Quail Drive, Madison.

BIRTHDAYS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

SEPTEMBER 13
Tom Spurgeon

SEPTEMBER 16
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Hannah Mahoney

SEPTEMBER 18
Shelly Anderson-Hamilton
Mark Campbell
Sara Gullion

SEPTEMBER 19
Rich Carroll
Jaime Toppe

SEPTEMBER 20
Martha Clancy

SEPTEMBER 21
Elizabeth Sanchez

OBITUARIES

James Carl Wainscott

James Carl "Jamie" Wainscott, age 58, of Hanover, IN, entered this life on July 7, 1966, in Carrollton, KY. He was the loving son of the late Bobby Gayle and Loretta Beckham Wainscott. Jamie died suddenly on Monday, Sept. 9, 2024, at 8:29 a.m. at his home in Hanover, IN.

Jamie will be missed

by the mother of his

children, Jennifer

Varner Webster and

her husband, Andy

of Hanover, IN; his

daughters, Jessica

Lynn Wainscott and

her companion, Keith

Lewis of Carrollton,

KY, Kayleigh

Maejean Wainscott

of Hanover, IN; his

sons, Christopher

Allen Wainscott of

Carrollton, KY, Thomas

Michael Wainscott

and his wife, Sarah

of Carrollton, KY, Karson

Bobby-Gayle Wainscott

of Hanover, IN; his

step daughter, Kaydi

Webster of Hanover,

IN; his grandchildren,

OBITUARY

Edith D. Taylor Adams, age 90, of Madison, and formerly of Bedford, KY, entered this life on March 23, 1934, in Trimble County, KY. She was the loving daughter of the late Paul and Mamie Callis Taylor. She lived all her life in Trimble county and was a 1959 graduate of Trimble County High School. She also attended the Versailles Vocational School studying Business Machines. She first married John Shepherd, Jr. and this union was blessed with a son, Michael. Her second marriage to Lee F. Bird



was blessed with a son, David. She married Donald Gene Adams on August 5, 1964, in Carrollton, KY, and this happy union of 56 years was blessed with

a daughter, Barbara. She worked at Conn Organ for six years as an inspector. She worked in the Trimble County Clerk's Office for two and one-half years. She was a secretary at Butler Dairy for two years. She was a sales clerk at JC Penney for four years and worked on the assembly line at Kawneer for eight months. She was a member of Mt. Carmel Methodist Church and the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No 9 American Legion Ladies Auxiliary. She loved spending time with

her family, especially her grandchildren, traveling, reading, discussing current events, and being outdoors doing yard work, and enjoying her flowers. Edith died on Saturday, Sept. 7, 2024, at Autumn Trace in Madison, IN.

Edith will be missed by her loving daughter, Barbara Daugherty and her husband, Lee of Bedford, KY; her daughter in law, Loretta Bird of Bedford, KY; her grandchildren, Olivia Daugherty Kempker and her husband, Kyle, Kyle Daugherty, Brandon Bird

and his wife, Amanda, Noah Bird and his wife, Katie, and Paul Bird; her great grandson, Calvin Bird; her sister, Bonnie May of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Paul Taylor; her mother, Mamie Callis Taylor; her sons, PFC Michael Allen Shepherd, killed in action during the Vietnam War and David Bird, her husband of 56 years, Donald Gene Adams, died September 6, 2020.

Funeral services were conducted on Thursday,

Sept. 12, 2024, at 1 p.m., by Pastor Chris White at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, IN. Interment followed in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Trimble and Henry County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

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give residents an opportunity to learn more about solar energy for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at Southwestern High School's Delbert King Gymnasium. There will also be opportunities for residents to ask questions and discuss concerns regarding solar energy.

At Tuesday's technical committee meeting, Deputy resident Sherry Chapo raised the question of a moratorium on solar projects until the county's UDO is officially updated to better address solar in Jefferson County. "We need a lot of changes done, and that's going to take time, so what about a moratorium while you guys work on this, so that we don't have more of these solar companies come in under our existing flawed UDO."

Plan Commission President Warren Auxier said that was already in his mind; that he had reached the conclusion that additional time is needed to review proposed updates on solar to the UDO, and that he had emailed the three County Commissioners and County Attorney Patrick Magrath requesting that if it can be legally done to consider a moratorium on solar applications. Auxier said his email also asked for consideration of moratorium on the application currently before the BZA from Orion Renewable Energy Group LLC.

"I don't know from a legal standpoint if they can do so, or not," said Auxier. "At this time, I don't know if they've had enough time to consider that."

County Commissioner David Bramer, who is also a member of the Plan Commission, said a moratorium could be discussed but a legal opinion was first needed from Magrath.

"The main question is, 'Can we put a moratorium and delay the application that has already been submitted and accepted by the BZA for their review?'" Auxier said.

"What do the people need to do to ask the Commissioners to act on this?" Chapo asked.

"We need to ask the attorney if that is OK," said Bramer. "I'm OK with putting a moratorium on it."

Lynette Anderson, a former administrative assistant for the county's Planning and Zoning Office, serves on the technical committee that is discussing the proposed solar updates to the UDO, a document that was approved by the Commissioners in 2023. She expressed concerns about moving forward with Orion's application.

"I've tried to review the application. It's just a ton of information. It's more than what I have the education for or the expertise for. It's a lot of information," Anderson said. "I helped work on the UDO the year we did that. From the knowledge I have, I just feel like to be fair to

the solar application and to be fair to the citizens of the county, I don't see how we as a county are prepared or equipped to handle such an extensive application. I think when we wrote this ordinance we did the best we could at the time, considering what the state was allowing us to do. We got our first application, and it's very large, and very hard to understand and grasp it all."

Anderson noted that because of those issues, "I don't see how we can make a decision on that right now. I think we need to have a moratorium on the application and on the ordinances so we can be better prepared for that."

Justin Wolf, senior director for Orion, noted, he application has been in the county's hands for several weeks and reviewable by the public since that time.

"The application was submitted in early July and it's been publicly available for people to review," Wolf said. "Our opinion is that we have a vested right in place. We applied under the current rules of the ordinance. We have a hearing set and our application has been accepted. We are submitting public notice. We have undertaken a large door knocking campaign. We have spoken with the county council. There is an information meeting upcoming. Our belief, our position is that we have a vested right there."

"I understand, I just don't know the legalities," said Auxier.

Auxier also said he disagreed with Chapo that the county "rushed" the UDO through. "We spent a good deal of time on it. We weren't as knowledgeable on the solar at the time. It was a more complicated issue than I had any idea."

Auxier said he has contacted at least five other counties concerning their solar ordinances. "Without exception every single one of those counties have either changed their solar ordinances or they were in the process of reviewing them or changing them," he said.

He noted that his question to them was whether those counties "made changes because of negative things that happened because of the solar, or are making those changes because of political or public outcry, and the most common seems to be that changes are being made because of public outcry for the solar. When I try to nail down specifics — Has it caused glare? Has it caused noise problems? Do you have different runoff than before? — the answers don't seem to be there that those have been particular problems."

However, Auxier noted that solar "has been a very divisive issue for the county" and Plan Commission will work to do what's best for the county. "This board has a vested interest of doing what's best for Jefferson County as a whole, and limit the impact on surrounding property owners."

Edith D. Adams

Council OKs agreement on chip seal, awaits decision by Scott

BY BOB DEMAREE

An interlocal agreement for the county highway departments of Jefferson and Scott counties to share chip seal equipment for maintaining county roads was unanimously approved by the County Council at their meeting Tuesday.

The agreement had previously been approved by the Jefferson County Commissioners and the Scott County Commissioners but County Highway Superintendent Bobby Phillips said the Scott County Council tabled the matter at its meeting Tuesday, delaying a final decision until it can schedule a joint meeting with the Scott County Commissioners.

The agreement would allow the two counties to equally bear the cost for initial purchase of certain chip and seal equipment which they would also share maintenance and insurance costs. The scheduling for use of the equipment would be shared by the two counties with the two county highway superintendents coordinating use.

Phillips said Scott County currently does not have chip seal equipment, requiring that work to be outsourced which is costly, while, Jefferson County has been running its own chip seal program for many years. "We've gotten a lot better so our chip seal stays in place" to maintain roads. "I know it's not the most community friendly when we're doing the chip seal," said Phillips. "It's the preservation that it provides on the roads is what makes it so valuable. We can't pave our way out of bad roads."

He said the interlocal agreement "allows us to be frontrunners when it comes to partnering up with a neighbor that we both need the same equipment to perform the job to try to be more efficient to try to stretch our dollars with both of us owning all of that equipment if we can find a way to make it work."

Phillips said it's like a farmer's combine that "sits most of the time but when it's harvest time you've got to have the combine. If you can work with a neighbor and work out that expense, it makes sense to keep things together and be very efficient."

Phillips said the interlocal agreement provides that if one county determines the arrangement is not working, either party can request it be dissolved. There is also a buy out clause to offer the equipment to the other county.

"It's something we all have to get creative" in finding ways to fund maintaining the county roads "and getting as much done for Jefferson County."

Council member Pam Crozier commended Phillips "for the good work you did and being creative, thinking about just how we can make the best use of dollars. I like the ability that you can cancel the agreement if either party becomes dissatisfied with the agreement. I think that is wise. I appreciate the effort and work you have put into it."

In other business, the Council approved a \$1,390,000 fund reduction from the highway department budget which County Auditor Heather Huff reported is due to

anticipated highway funds that were not received. She noted the gas tax is the only funding source for the highway department.

"The gas tax is the only revenue for highway, and keeps dwindling," she said, adding the impact is due to more fuel efficient vehicles, electric vehicles and other factors.

"Ultimately, it's going to be essential to have additional funding sources for highway because their revenue has gone down well over \$1 million in the last few years," Huff said.

Another decrease is with the cumulative bridge fund that Huff said is impacted by the Homestead 1% property tax cap that affects assessed values for which the county is now missing out on about \$1 million in revenue. She said non-Homestead properties are at 3%. "It's great because the taxpayers have that much of a savings in Jefferson County but at the same time it definitely puts restraints on us in budgeting," she said.

The Council also approved a \$240,000 reduction in the county general fund and \$10,500 reduction in the health department fund.

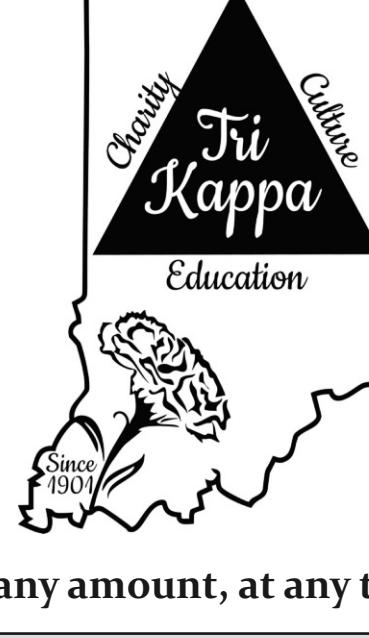
The Council also approved an additional appropriation of \$15,000 out of cumulative voting fund to replace iPads that are used at polling sites. An additional appropriation of \$80,000 was also approved from public safety fund to cover utilities through the end of the year for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center.

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Read more about our most recently established endowment that will make a difference in Jefferson County's future.

TRI KAPPA MADISON ENDOWMENT

Tri Kappa is a Greek service organization with chapters based solely in the state of Indiana. The philanthropic sisterhood's mission is to "bring women into close, unselfish relationship for the promotions of charity, culture, and education." The current membership of the Madison Beta Omega chapter decided to establish this Agency Fund, which will provide annual grants to the chapter to support their philanthropic endeavors well into the future.



Anyone can give to any of our funds, in any amount, at any time.

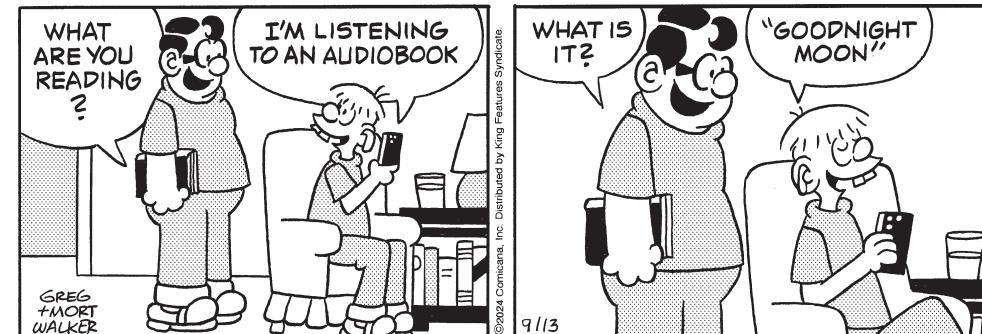
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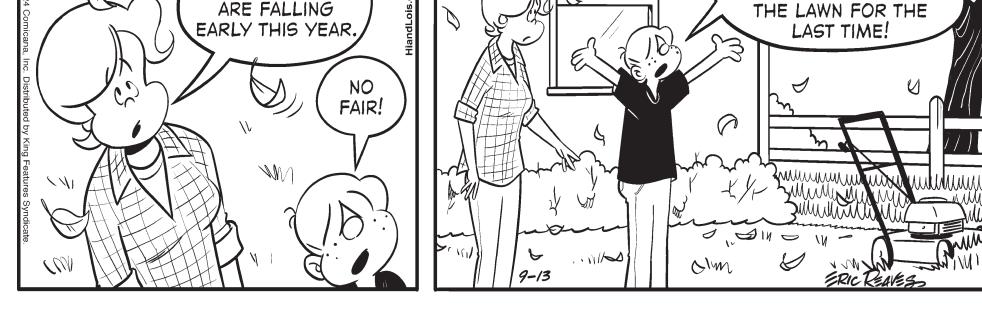
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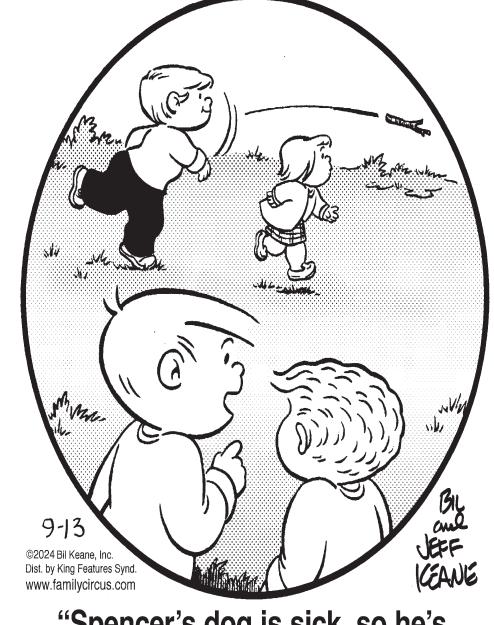
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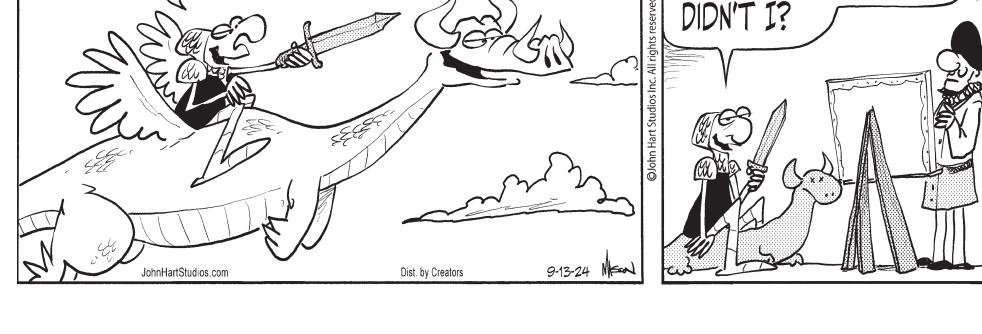
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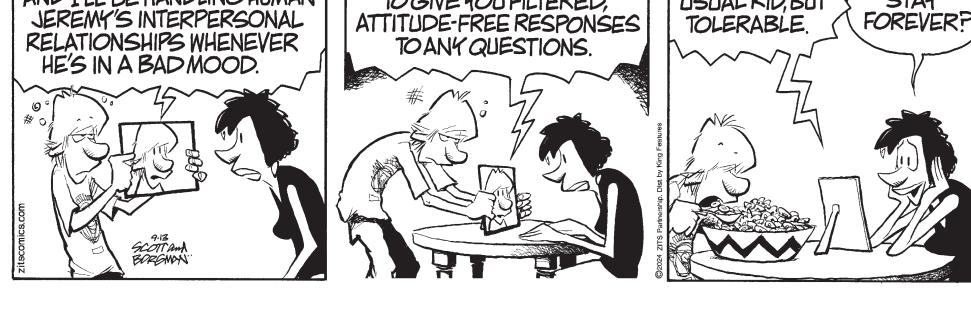
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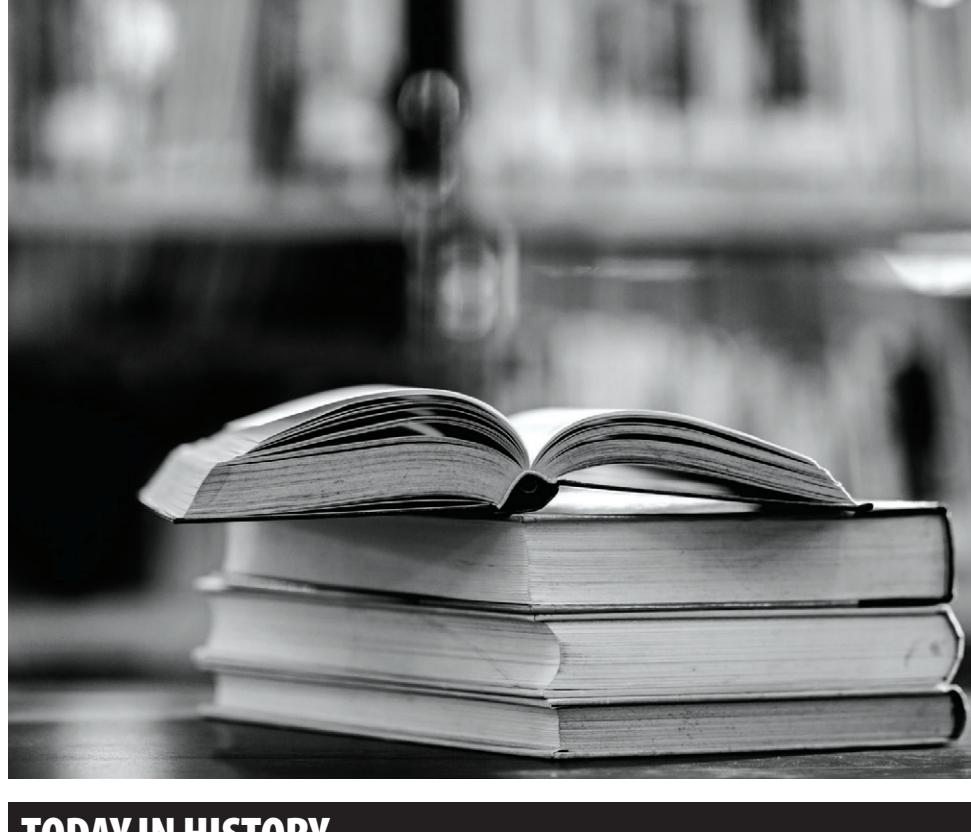
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today in history:

On Sept. 13, 1993, at the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat shook hands after signing an accord granting limited Palestinian autonomy.

Also on this date:

In 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the U.S. Senate; she became the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1971, a four-day inmate rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in western New York ended as police and guards stormed the prison; the ordeal and

final assault claimed the lives of 32 inmates and 11 hostages.

In 1997, a funeral was held in Calcutta, India, for Nobel peace laureate Mother Teresa.

In 2008, crews rescued people from their homes in an all-out search for thousands of Texans who had stayed behind overnight to face Hurricane Ike.

In 2010, Rafael Nadal beat Novak Djokovic to win his first U.S. Open title and complete a career Grand Slam.

In 2021, school resumed for New York City public school students in the nation's largest experiment of in-person learning during the coronavirus pandemic.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Barbara Bain is 93. Nobel

Peace Prize laureate Óscar Arias is 84. Rock singer David Clayton-Thomas (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 83.

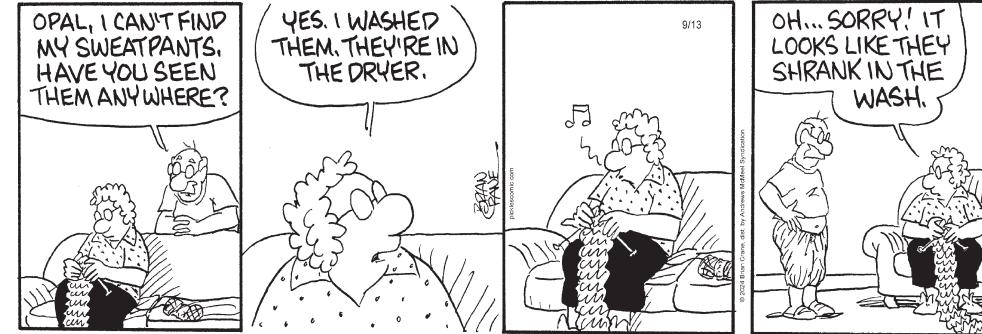
Actor Jacqueline Bisset is 80. Singer Peter Cetera is 80. Actor Jean Smart is 73.

Record producer Don Was is 72. Chef Alain Ducasse is 68. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 63. Olympic gold medal sprinter Michael Johnson is 57. Filmmaker Tyler Perry is 55. Fashion designer Stella McCartney is 53. Former tennis player Goran Ivanisevic is 53. Country musician Joe Don Rooney (Rascal Flatts) is 49. Singer-songwriter Fiona Apple is 47. Actor Ben Savage is 44. Soccer player Thomas Müller is 35. Rock singer Niall Horan (One Direction) is 31. Actor Lili Reinhart (TV: "Riverdale") is 28.

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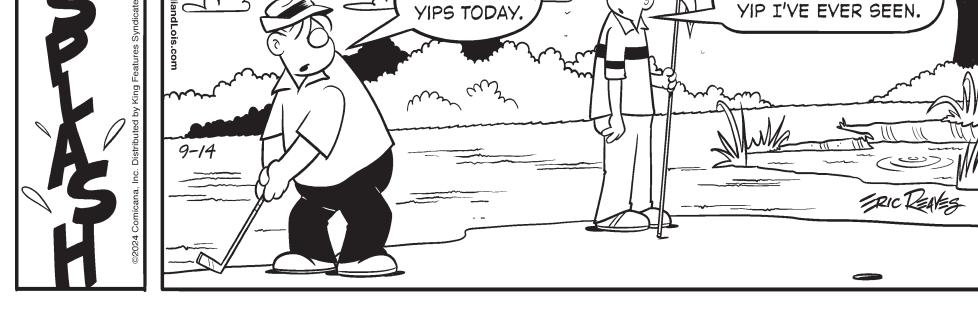
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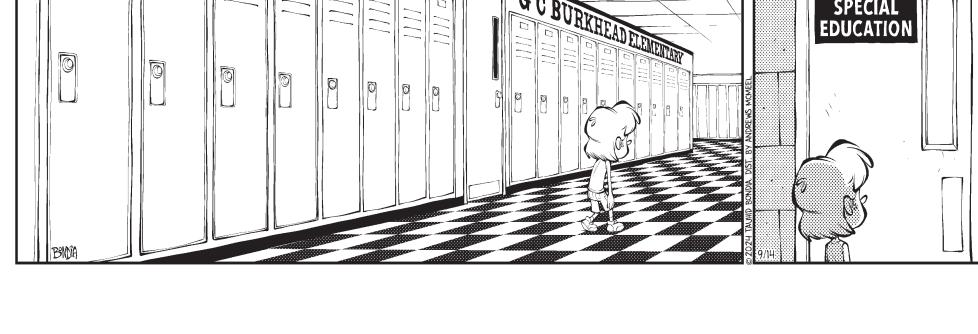
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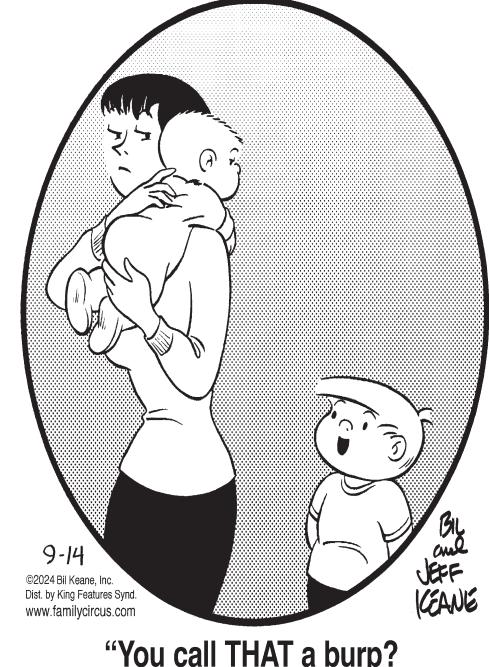
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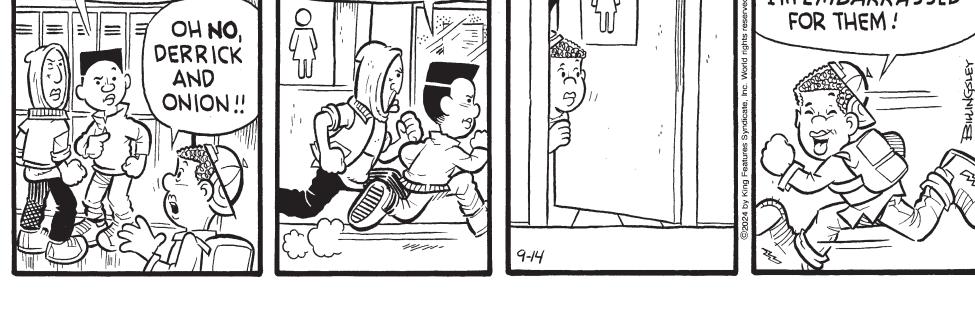
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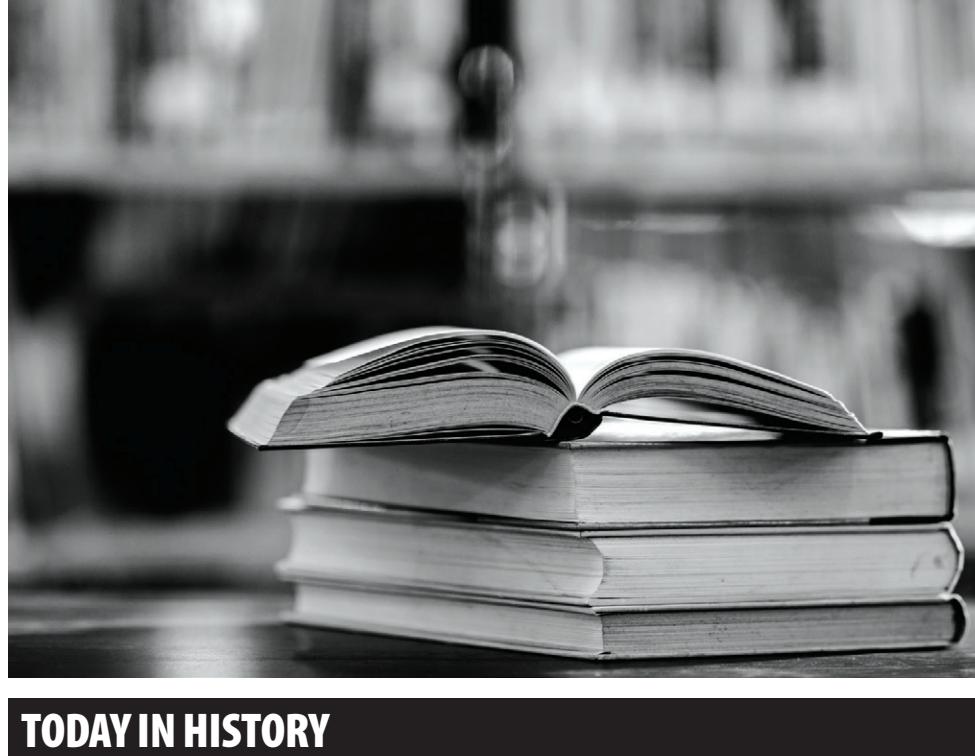
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On Sept. 14, 1901,

President William McKinley died in Buffalo, New York, of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin eight days prior; Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him, becoming the youngest-ever U.S. president at age 42.

Also on this date:

In 1847, during the Mexican-American War, U.S. forces under Gen. Winfield Scott took control of Mexico City.

In 1861, the first naval engagement of the Civil War took place as the USS Colorado attacked and sank the Confederate private schooner Judah off the coast of Pensacola, Florida.

In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of the sports car in which she was riding.

In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly film star Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before.

In 1991, the government of South Africa, the African National Congress and the Inkatha Freedom Party signed a national peace pact.

In 1994, on the 34th day of a strike by players, Acting Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig announced the 1994 season was over.

In 2001, Americans packed churches and public squares on a day of remembrance for the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks. President George W. Bush prayed with his Cabinet and attended services at Washington National Cathedral, then flew to New York, where he waded into the ruins of the World Trade Center and addressed rescue workers in a show of resolve.

In 2012, fury over an anti-Muslim film ridiculing the Prophet Muhammad sparked violent clashes across the Muslim world.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Walter Koenig ("Star Trek") is 88. Architect Renzo Piano is 87. Basketball Hall of Fame coach Larry Brown is 84.

Actor Sam Neill is 77. Country singer John Berry is 65. Actor Melissa Leo is 64. Actor Faith Ford is 60. Film director Bong Joon-Ho is 55. Supreme Court justice Ketanji Brown Jackson is 54. Actor Kimberly Williams-Paisley is 53. Actor Andrew Lincoln is 51. Rapper Nas is 51. Olympic gold medal middle-distance runner Hicham El Guerrouj is 50. Florida Governor Ron DeSantis is 46. Chef/TV personality Katie Lee is 43. Actor Jessica Brown Findlay is 37. NBA All-Star Jimmy Butler is 35. Golfer Tony Finau is 35. Actor Emma Kenney is 25.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Cash flow plan for the next decade presented at meeting

BY BOB DEMAREE

Strategies for investing in the future of Madison was the focus of Tuesday's Redevelopment Commission meeting including a plan for cash flow in the future.

In August, a resolution for a bond issue of up to \$4.6 million and finance plan was introduced to the Redevelopment Commission but a vote is currently being delayed until a housing study is completed and while the city waits to learn whether city projects will receive READI 2.0 and Lilly Endowment grant funding from the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC).

The bond and finance plan is a means for utilizing and leveraging the city's North Madison TIF allocation area that is scheduled to end in 2035.

Madison Mayor Bob Courtney said the reason for "proposing to issue this bond is so we can do a few very significant and expensive economic development initiatives across the city" but at the same time "we didn't want to impair the economic development commission's future ability to capture opportunities."

He said that's why Gary Smith, a CPA with Reedy Financial Group, was asked to "look at a longer horizon that takes us through that 10-year period so that we could demonstrate that we're still going to have good cash reserves and liquidity to work with other opportunities to leverage up elsewhere, while we are doing things that are our three primary goals — infrastructure, housing and placemaking. That's what we're demonstrating today that even though we're optimizing the benefit of these cash flows over the next decade, there's still going to be, because of the investments we're making, pretty good cash flow every single year in order to support future redevelopment activities."

Smith gave a presentation on the Redevelopment Commission's future cash flow that showed how investments beyond the North Madison Allocation and creating other TIF districts will help to provide funds to be utilized for city projects. Among those TIF districts include the Super ATV Allocation Area, the Madison Plaza Allocation Area and the Riverfront Allocation Area that are already in place.

"As we start pulling in other allocation areas (besides the North Madison Allocation Area), it is the fruits of our labors the last few years. The revenues coming in across the other allocation areas must be considered," Smith said.

"The debt that we are

proposing (through the bond) is not new debt that gets paid by a property tax rate. It's debt that is supported 100% by the pledge of revenues that's coming into the TIF district from commercial properties," said Courtney. "I think that's a really important thing to clarify."

He said conservative estimates have been used in assessing a future growth factor of 3%, while in some recent years, "we've been experiencing more than double in that growth in value throughout our city."

Courtney noted the city's debt is "well structured. It still leaves significant cash flow for future administrations and Redevelopment Commissions to invest. It takes care of high priority needed investment now. And that's what we're doing is optimizing this expiring allocation area."

Among the projects that could receive support from the bond are those that could be financed in part by READI 2.0 and Lilly Endowment funding. Three city projects recently were among 30 that Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority (OurSIRDA) selected to move forward for funding consideration by the IEDC that is conducting an economic impact study for each project before making its decision.

The city's Lilly Endowment project is titled Madison Revitalization which includes a boat ramp and steamboat landing facility, and other riverfront improvements. The READI 2.0 projects include a permanent amphitheater in Bicentennial Park and a housing project on the former Madison Coal Company property owned by the city on Vaughn Drive.

Because the projects were ranked highly by OurSIRDA, "we do hold some promise that the state will see those projects in the same light as our regional development authority," said Tony Steinhardt III, the city director of Economic Development.

Additionally, Steinhardt said there are plans for Damon Welch Park, formerly named Jaycee Park, for which he said conceptual design is near completion. "We've already done some private fundraising for that through the community already" with nearly \$400,000 pledged through various sources.

Steinhardt also cited infrastructure projects that include planned Main Street improvements on the west end in 2025, and supporting strategies for Main Street enhancements for the business district between Broadway and Jefferson streets in 2026 and 2027.

Study confirms housing shortage in Madison, Jefferson County

BY BOB DEMAREE

A housing study for Madison has provided data that the housing market is currently frozen with a nearly 3,000 unit shortage throughout Jefferson County.

The results were announced by Madison Economic Development Director Tony Steinhardt III at Tuesday's meeting of the city's Redevelopment Commission.

The housing study was done by the Club 720 Associates and Zimmerman/Volk Associates using various sources of data. "This study looked at five years of averages for all the data," Steinhardt noted, adding the report also involved reaching out to a cross section of bankers, real estate agents, builders, representatives of business and the philanthropic community.

Steinhardt said the study shows that 70% of the residences are one- and two-person households in Madison while the national average is 60%. "There are a lot of singles and young couples" which he said means there are fewer families. The median housing value is \$189,000, which he said is higher than the Indiana average but lower than the national average.

He said Laurie Volk, co-managing director of Zimmerman/Volk Associates, told him she has been doing housing studies since 1988, and has "never analyzed a community like Madison, Indiana, where we had the tale of two housing units. I had to view this as two separate communities. Our downtown housing market is completely different with data than our hilltop housing market."

Steinhardt said the downtown is different in that there are "fewer families downtown for lots of different reasons" such as retirees that fall among the one- and two-person households, people who own second homes, and Airbnbs.

The study shows the potential for 1,200 households of all income levels moving to Madison with 39% young couples and singles, 34% traditional and non-traditional families, and 27% empty nesters and retirees. Housing preferences include rental apartments, 39%; condominiums, 8%; townhouses, 13%; and detached houses, 40%.

Steinhardt said the demand for rental apartments will benefit from construction of the Residences at Sunrise Crossing development due to begin later this year. "That doesn't necessarily mean all the demand will be met, especially higher end rentals" where retirees and one person/two

community. It's more pressure on trash pickup, policing, fire and more" to assist in capital planning.

Steinhardt said the study is providing good data that will help the city move forward in the best manner with regards to housing. "Any time you start looking to make investments with tax dollars, you've got to be confident in the ability to do that and have the right information to make sound decisions" and feel confident in doing so.

He said the state of Indiana recently released data projecting a decline in the state's population in the next 10 years.

"That's not good. We don't want to be one of those communities. We've seen a growing population over the last four or five years" in Madison.

"We want to stay on that trend, and not get sucked into that downward spiral that other communities" are experiencing.

Steinhardt said the city wants to make sure it invests in quality of place, quality of life and housing. "We want to be sure as we move five to 10 years out that we have the right kind of housing for those who want to come to Madison to work, raise a family and retire."

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The study recommended a plan where, after five years, there would be 445 to 630 new affordable/workforce and market-rate housing units to include new apartments for all ages and new ownership housing types in the city.

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Sunday, January 12th, 4:00 p.m.

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110 St. Michaels Ave., Madison, IN

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Saturday, February 8th, 7:00 p.m.

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Young Musicians' Concert

The community is proud to support our

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The young people will present solos and

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Sunday, March 2nd, 3:00 p.m.

Madison Presbyterian Church

202 Broadway St., Madison, IN

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Saturday, March 29th, 7:00 p.m.

Opal Sherman Auditorium, MCHS

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Merz Trio – Brigid Coleridge, violin; Julia

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Competitions, and recipients of a Salon de

Virtuosi Career Grant, have been lauded

for their "stunning virtuosity... fresh and

surprising interpretations" (Reading Eagle),

and "perfection of intonation and ensemble"

(Hudson Review).

Friday, April 11th, 7:00 p.m.

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Spring Choir Festival - Dr. Madlen

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Churches throughout the community feature

Easter anthems, then gather together as a

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Sunday, May 4th, 2:00 p.m.

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Saturday, Sept 21, 2024

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Choir seeks singers for Christmas season

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

River Valley Voices seeks singers from Owen, Carroll, Trimble and Grant counties for its upcoming Christmas shows. For more information call or text Case at 502-682-5995, email pcase211@gmail.com or rivervalleyvoicesky@gmail.com.

The River Valley Voices, a group from several northern and central Kentucky counties that enjoys singing moderately challenging music, is looking for new members.

The first practice for the Christmas season will be Tuesday, Sept. 24, 6:30-8 p.m., in the education building at the Ghent Baptist Church Education Center, across from Subway on US 42 in Ghent.

Membership is \$20/person or \$30 for more than one in a family. The fee covers the cost of purchasing sheet music since we do not copy, and other choir expenses. But don't let \$20 stop you from joining!

Formerly known as the Gallatin County Community Choir, the group has been based at the Warsaw Christian Church since 2004 when singers from the community came together to join a celebration of an extensive renovation and rededication of the 1868 sanctuary.

"After that celebration," said Philip Case,



The Gallatin County Community Choir performs its Fourth of July program at the Relevant Apostolic Church, Carrollton. The group's name is now the River Valley Voices and will begin rehearsals for the Christmas season from 6:30-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Ghent Baptist Church. New singers from all surrounding communities are invited.

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co-founder of the group, it was suggested by Hollis Rosenstein, the other founder, that we see if anyone wanted to work on a Christmas program for that year. Singers enthusiastically gathered and that's how we started."

The group is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year with a name change and a move.

"In the last few years, singers from Carroll, Grant, Trimble and Frank-

lin have joined and the board discussed the name change to reflect the broader range of membership beyond Gallatin and a move to a location central between Gallatin and Carroll.

"Ghent seemed to be a good location and the folks at the Baptist church opened their doors and welcomed us to practice there."

Case said organizers hope to draw singers from

Owen County, too.

Performance dates and locations for the Christmas programs will be set soon with one in Carrollton and one in Warsaw.

Ilene Gatwood, a long-time music instructor in the Gallatin schools and piano teacher, is the accompanist and music director. She selects most of the music the choir performs.

"We perform sheet music selections," said Gatwood, "and most are three or four parts (soprano, alto, tenor and bass). The music isn't too difficult, but that's why we practice — to learn it, especially for those who don't sing parts but want a challenge."

Both Gatwood and Case emphasized this isn't "just

a big church choir" even though many singers are members of churches.

"From its inception, the group has featured both sacred and secular music," said Case. "We believe you'll enjoy this experience and encourage you to come and give it a try."

To see more about RVV, visit the business Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/RiverValleyVoiceKY>, like and follow the page. You can also view past performances at <https://www.youtube.com/@RiverValleyVoicesKY>.

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ARRESTS

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Michelle Childress, 46, of Hanover, was arrested during the search of her home, which Derten allegedly used to further his operation. She was charged with nine felonies, including three counts of conspiracy to deal methamphetamine, two counts of conspiracy to deal cocaine, possession of a narcotic drug, possession of cocaine, possession of a controlled substance, and maintaining a common nuisance. Childress was also charged with possession of paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor.

Richardson was arrested in Louisville on Aug. 16 on a Jefferson County warrant for felony charges of conspiracy to deal methamphetamine and conspiracy to deal cocaine. Richardson is being held at Louisville Metropolitan Corrections on Kentucky charges and is awaiting extradition to Indiana.

Through the investigation, which involved the Jefferson County Prosecutor's Office, City of Madison Police Department, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Jennings County Sheriff's Office, Kentucky State Police, and U.S. Marshal's Office, authorities learned Derten was allegedly supplying many others with illegal narcotics, leading to the numerous arrests from warrants executed in the early morning hours Wednesday.

Multiple officers began knocking on doors and serving warrants at about 5 a.m. Wednesday and continued that operation for most of the morning in Jefferson, Switzerland, Ripley and Jennings Counties.

According to the prosecutor's office, the investigation is ongoing and additional arrests could be forthcoming.

Those arrested include:

• **Jonathan David Clark**, 50, Hanover — Conspiracy to

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- **Sabrina Lynn Clark**, 35, Hanover — Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 5 felony; Neglect of a Dependent, Level 6 felony; Possession of Marijuana, Class B misdemeanor
- **Sean Eugene Cooksey**, 56, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine, Level 3 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (three counts), Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Matthew Michele R. Cyrus**, 40, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 2 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (two counts), Level 4 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Ralph Wayne Davis II**, 52, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (eight counts), Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony; Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Level 6 felony
- **Gregory Todd Griffin**, 58, Versailles — Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine, Level 2 felony
- **Jonathon Grunden-Durham**, 31, Madison — Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 6 felony
- **Jennifer Elizabeth Hendrix**, 41, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 2 felony; Dealing in Cocaine, Level 3 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Larry W. Howard III**, 52, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (two counts), Level 4 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (two counts), Level 4 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Christian Lauderbaugh**, 29, Hanover — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (two counts), Level 2 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Mark Ellis Lewis**, 58, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine, Level 2 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (three counts), Level 2 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (two counts), Level 2 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine, Level 4 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (three counts), Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Richard Kyle Lock**, 44, Dupont — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (four counts), Level 2 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Kelsey Luellen**, 29, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 2 felony
- **Cheyenne Elaine Mason**, 27, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 4 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (four counts), Level 5 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine (two counts), Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Rodney Paul Yount II**, 40, Madison — Conspiracy to Deal Methamphetamine, Level 2 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine (five counts), Level 4 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony
- **Mandy Lane Demaree**, 51, Vevay — Conspiracy to Deal Controlled Substances, Level 6 felony; Conspiracy to Deal Cocaine, Level 5 felony; Corrupt Business Influence, Level 5 felony

MARKET

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Courtney, Neil Rumohr, DG Market district manager, Curt Rafferty, managing member of Rafferty Development LLC, and City of Madison officials.

In a related move, the Dollar General store at 408 Jefferson Street closed for business on Monday with workers from there now employed at the new DG Market at 120 East Second Street. The employees have been stocking shelves this week in preparation for the opening of the new grocery/general store.

Rumohr said Wednesday afternoon the DG Market would open Thursday, although not all items will be in stock with more expected to be arriving in the days ahead. "We want to open up and work out any kinks" that might exist before the store is fully operational.

Once fully stocked, the store will have fresh produce and meats with 50 doors of freezers as opposed to 10 doors that were at the Jefferson Street location. "The aisles are nice and wide," he said, noting that much greater selection will be available for grocery and household items.

"We've had several people come by and tell us they are excited about having the store in downtown Madison," Rumohr said, noting that even though the Jefferson Street store carried some grocery items, it was limited simply because of its size. "This store will be three to four times larger."

The property at 120 East Second Street has a long history as a grocery for more than 70 years. But before that, it had been the site of the Madison Hotel, designed by architect Francis Costigan and constructed in 1849 when it was characterized as "one of the finest hotels on the river" as it "opened with a reception and ball" on March 27, 1850, according to the book, "Early Architects and Books of Indiana," published in 1935.

In 1949, the hotel was demolished for construction of a Kroger grocery, the building that now stands on the location. Kroger moved to Madison's hilltop and a JayC Foods Store took over the building in the 1980s and remained there until it closed January 29, 2011. The space was then revamped as the Ruler Foods that closed March 31, 2018.

In early 2021, the Madison Redevelopment Commission made a major commitment towards bringing a new grocery to downtown when it authorized Courtney to negotiate a purchase agreement for the building. Once the city owned the building, it actively worked towards finding a grocery tenant to move into that building. Last summer, the city announced a purchase agreement with Rafferty Development LLC to bring the DG Market to the location.

"We are thrilled to welcome DG Market to downtown Madison," said Courtney. "We know the community has been eagerly awaiting the return of a downtown grocery store since Ruler Foods closed in 2018. The opening of DG Market marks the end of that wait, bringing vital access to groceries back to our downtown while supporting our city's continued growth and revitalization."

The Dollar General at 408 Jefferson Street had occupied that building for many years. Rumohr doesn't know the exact date that Dollar General moved into that location but the store was numbered 368 so it must have been one of the earlier Dollar Generals since the company now has nearly 20,000 locations.

Before it became a Dollar General, the building was an A&P grocery. It even appears in a background scene from the classic 1958 movie "Some Came Running" in which actors Frank Sinatra and Shirley MacLaine are getting off a Greyhound bus.

The A&P closed March 11, 1972, having moved to that location around 1949, according to an article in the March 2, 1972, edition of The Madison Courier. A&P had opened its first store in Madison in 1919, with locations at the southwestern corner of Main and Poplar streets, and then at 210 East Main Street, before moving to Jefferson Street. The A&P was managed by Cecil F. Grow from 1941 until the Madison store closed in 1972.

Steinhart said there are no immediate plans for the former Dollar General location on Jefferson Street but the city has first rights to purchase. He noted there is a 12 month requirement that something be done by the property owner, which is also Madison DG Market developer Curt Rafferty of Rafferty Development LLC.

BATEMAN

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varied and interesting music selections. We will be doing a series of pieces we are calling 'Art Songs' inspired by a number of different poets, plus a song cycle based on the work of William Shakespeare. It should be a real treat for anyone who loves classical music.

"I have to say I adore classical vocal music, which I guess is not surprising since I devoted so much of my education and professional career to the form. It's just so rich and inspiring. With the vocals you get the poetry aspect, the choices of the words and imagery. But you are also getting the music mastery of hundreds of years of great composers, from baroque to romantic to classical.

"I urge everyone to come out next Friday and check out the performance. The Picker House venue is a special place, and I can tell you the music will be special too. I think there is something for every music lover, no matter what style you prefer. I can't wait to share it with my new found friends here in Madison."

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK

On Friday you have your choice of four different kinds of musical experience. My top pick coming in at No. 1 would be Matt Red Moore at First Street Saloon. Matt is amazing, and the neighborhood bar atmosphere of First Street is just the coolest. At No. 2 you have the option of Music in the Park, a big free outdoor concert with food trucks and all the rest. At No. 3 you can choose either Rivertown Grill or The Central for that classic cover band bar experience, singing along to your favorite songs. And at No. 4, for

a true sing along time, you can catch Patriotic Karaoke up on the hilltop at Tailgators. And that's just Friday! Saturday is jam packed too ... just take a look at the calendar. See you out there this weekend!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15

Rivertown Grill — Ruben Guthrie

MUSIC EVENTS SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

Central — Dirty Laundry (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
Carrollton Bands & BBQ — Keegan Hatton (7-9 p.m.)
Carrollton Bands & BBQ — Joe Clark & the Peacemakers (9-11 p.m.)
First Street Saloon — Chris Jesse
Rivertown Grill — Crossfire Band
Bicentennial Park — The Midtown Mad Men w/Brad Collins
Tailgators — Patriotic Karaoke

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14

Central — Jimmy Davis Band (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
Rivertown Grill — The Mood
First Street Saloon — DJ Nate
Tailgators — Smokin Jokers (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
The Lighthouse — Matt Red Moore (7-11 p.m.)
Carrollton Bands & BBQ — Radio Face (Noon-2 p.m.)
Carrollton Bands & BBQ — What About Jane (2:30-4:30 p.m.)
Carrollton Bands & BBQ — Jordan Wilson Coalition (5:30-8 p.m.)
Riverboat Inn — Joe & Deano (7-10 p.m.)

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15

Rivertown Grill — Ruben Guthrie

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CONCERT

Jazz for Jesus Concert
Hanover United Methodist Church
220 East Lagrange Road, Hanover

Sunday, Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.
Hanover United Methodist Church will be sponsoring a concert called "Jazz for Jesus" in the sanctuary. The local quintet of Yvonne Davis, Brook Reindollar, Rick Bennett, Tim Beitzel, and Steve Pullis will perform their improvisational jazz showcase of classical hymns, spirituals, and contemporary praise music. The concert is free. Donations are appreciated.

LUNCHEON

St. John's United Church of Christ
408 East St., Madison

Friday, Sept. 20, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

St. John's United Church of Christ will host a soup, salad and dessert luncheon at the Fellowship Hall off the East Street entrance. Cost is \$9.

SPEAKERS

Speaker: Silas House
Hanover College
Fitzgibbon Recital Hall, Lynn Center for Fine Arts

Saturday, Sept. 14, 7 p.m.

Silas House, an award-winning novelist, Kentucky poet laureate, educator and environmental activist, will address building empathy through storytelling. Event is open to the public and free of charge.

REUNIONS

Romans Family Reunion
Rising Sun, Indiana

Sunday, Sept. 15

The Romans Family Reunion will be held at the Ohio County Historical Society, 212 South Walnut Street. Dinner is at 1 p.m. Bring a favorite food to share but meat, bread and drinks will be provided. Bring copies of family pictures for albums, items for scrapbooking and genealogy records.

Mahoney Family Reunion
Trimble County Park

Saturday, Sept. 21

The Mahoney Family Reunion will be held at the Trimble

County Park, 3114 US 421, Bedford, Kentucky. Dinner is at 1 p.m. Bring a covered dish. Utensils, drinks and ice will be furnished.

FUNDRAISERS

Rykers Ridge Fire Department Fish Fry
2824 North Rykers Ridge Road, Madison

Saturday, Sept. 14, 4 p.m.-8 p.m.

Fish fry is a fund-raiser for the Rykers Ridge Fire Department.

SENIOR EVENTS

Hanover Senior Citizens Center
Exercising: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Lunch: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center.

Cost is \$5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

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Friday, September 13, 2024



Switzerland County goalie Nate Williams (middle) and the Pacers' Isaac Williams (21) and Austin Johns (8) battle with Shawe's Gus Grote for the ball during Shawe's 3-2 Ohio River Valley Conference win Monday in Madison.



Members of Shawe's team celebrate with teammate Bartosz Rychlicki after his successful penalty kick in the Hilltoppers' 3-2 win over Switzerland County at home on Monday.

David Campbell

Shawe denies previously unbeaten Switzerland in boys soccer

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Shawe rallied from a goal down to score a 3-2 win over previously unbeaten Switzerland County in boys soccer Monday at home.

The Hilltoppers scored first, getting a goal from Gus Grote off a Bartosz Rychlicki pass in the sixth minute for an early 1-0 lead.

Switzerland answered with two goals to take a 2-1 lead into halftime. Cooper Todd scored off a Carson Griffith assist and Isaac Williams' corner kick was redirected by Carter Hinman for the second score.

But Shawe tied the game in the

49th minute when Rychlicki scored off a Grote pass and went ahead in the 52nd minute when Rychlicki connected on a penalty kick.

Switzerland spent the final 28 minutes furiously attacking the Shawe goal but the Hilltoppers never bent and secured the win.

"We came into the game with the right mentality. The focus was there and the desire to compete was there," Switzerland coach David Todd said. "Nothing about this loss takes away the goals or the drive for our team. We just have to make sure we use this to improve our decision making. The boys

are disappointed and there is nothing wrong with that but we now need to turn our focus to the next game and continual improvement."

Shawe remained unbeaten in conference play with a 2-1 win at Milan on Tuesday.

Grote scored in the 10th minute and Rychlicki doubled the Shawe lead in the 30th minute.

Despite the time of possession being in favor of the Hilltoppers, Milan kept looking to counter attack when they got the ball. Milan was finally able to find the back of the net on one of those counters in the 78th minute for

the final margin.

Switzerland County rebounded from its loss to Shawe with a dominating 9-1 win over Jac-Cen-Del at home on Wednesday.

The Pacers went up 5-1 at halftime and rolled to the win. Seven different players scored for Switzerland with Cooper Todd collecting five goals and Ashton Purvis, Austin Johns, Ethan Rose and Jack McClellan adding goals. Assists went to Grant Hall with two and one assist each coming from Carson Griffith, Purvis, Todd, Cale Collier, Mason Peelman and Carter Hinman.

"The boys know that we have a long way to go and that we have to improve our positioning, our spacing, and our communication," Coach Todd said. "However, it was nice to see that we were able to bounce back and be prepared to move the ball the way we did tonight."

Shawe, now 6-3 overall, improves to 5-0 in the Ohio River Valley Conference and hosts Southwestern on Monday.

Switzerland, now 7-1 overall and 5-1 in the ORVC, hosts Greensburg on Saturday. The Pacers then travel to Milan on Monday.



Madison Athletics

Madison's boys cross country team won the Columbus North Invitational on Saturday.

Madison boys run to win in Columbus North Invitational

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison's boys placed all five scorers in the top 26 and ran away with the win in the small school division of the 17-team Columbus North Cross Country Invitational at Ceraland on Saturday.

The Cubs scored 54 points and were led by Will Laufer, who won the race in 16:23.7. Switzerland County placed fourth with 188 points and Southwestern was 16th in 453. Shawe did not field a complete team.

Southwestern's girls placed sixth with 197 points led by a school-record performance by freshman Savannah Nussbaum, who was fourth in 19:50. Madison was 10th with 254, Switzerland County was 11th with 260 and Shawe did not have a full team.

Laufer won the race by 12 seconds to lead Madison's winning effort. Sam Crouch was 11th in 17:05.4, Travis Hoffman was 12th in 17:10.5, Eli Storm was 14th in 17:29.1 and Ben Crouch was 26th in 17:52.9. In non-scoring runs, Kayden McKay was 77th in 19:42.6, Mason Davis was 79th in 19:43.8, Gavin Knoble was 131st in 22:51.4, Owen Murphy was 136th in 23:15.3 and Kruz Konkle was 137th in 23:21.2.

Results for Switzerland County's boys were: Cooper Hon, 21st, 17:46.6; Luke Sullivan, 35th, 18:18.7; Cale Collier, 38th, 18:21.3; Landon Gross,



Southwestern Athletics

Southwestern's Savannah Nussbaum (left) and Tori Gammons both medaled in the Columbus North Invitational on Saturday including a school-record performance by the freshman Nussbaum, who was fourth in 19:50.

62nd, 19:09.9; Ty Lay, 65th, 19:16.0; Michael Gross, 73rd, 19:33.8; Gavin Rich, 121st, 21:26.8; Jaksyn Smithson-Cox, 124th, 21:53.9; Josiah Holliday, 128th, 22:30.0; and Harlowe

Haines, 135th, 23:13.1.

Results for Southwestern's boys were: Connor Johnson, 63rd, 19:11.5; Landon Higgins, 119th, 21:22.6; Thomas

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TENNIS ROUNDUP

Rolling Rebels sweep Brownstown, Dearborn

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern's boys tennis team scored a pair of 5-0 wins over Brownstown and South Dearborn earlier this week.

On Monday, the Rebels knocked off Brownstown in a hard-fought match. Braden Helton won 6-2, 6-3 at No. 1 singles, Braxton Lewis won 3-6, 6-0, 6-3 at No. 2 singles and Luke Morrow won 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 singles. In doubles, Talon Wynn and Brady Cook won 6-3, 6-1 at No. 1 and Colton Deputy and Max Joseph won 6-2, 6-0 at No. 2.

Southwestern kept the roll going with a 5-0 sweep of South Dearborn on the road on Tuesday.

The Rebels did not lose a game on the night with Helton (No. 1 singles), Lewis (No. 2 singles), Wynn and Cook (No. 1 doubles) and Joseph and Deputy (No. 2 doubles) all winning 6-0, 6-0. Morrow won by default at

No. 3 singles.

Southwestern hosted Madison on Thursday and travels to New Washington on Friday. The Rebels then host the Southern Indiana Tennis Conference Tournament at Hanover College on Saturday. Next week, Southwestern travels to Henryville on Monday and hosts Greensburg on Tuesday.

MADISON BEATS TRINITY, 4-1

Madison boys tennis scored a 4-1 win over Trinity Lutheran on Friday.

Brock Brandon and Carson Cammack each won in singles while Mitchell Cammack and Bodie Harsin, and Ayden Liter and Briar Boldery won in doubles.

Madison hosted Jennings County on Tuesday and Floyd Central on Wednesday and traveled to Southwestern on Thursday. The Cubs host Charlestown next Wednesday.

CALENDAR

Friday, Sept. 13

FOOTBALL

Carroll Co. hosts Madison, 7 p.m.

Switzerland Co. hosts Milan, 7 p.m.

SOCER

Hanover men at DePauw, 5 p.m.

Southwestern boys hosts Southwestern (Shelby), 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern boys at New Washington, 4:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Trimble Co., Frankfort Invite, TBA

Hanover hosts Blackburn, Rhodes, 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern boys at Henryville, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison hosts Trinity Lutheran, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 17

NO LOCAL EVENTS

Monday, Sept. 16

GOLF

Southwestern girls at Silver Creek, 4:30 p.m.

SOCER

Shawe boys host Southwestern, 5 p.m.

Southwestern girls hosts Rising Sun, 5:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. boys at Milan, 5:30 p.m.

Carroll Co. boys at Gallatin Co., 6 p.m.

Madison girls at Hauser, 6 p.m.

Southwestern Co. girls at Milan, 7 p.m.

Carroll Co. girls at Gallatin Co., 8 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern boys at Henryville, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison hosts Trinity Lutheran, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 17

CROSS COUNTRY

Shawe, Switzerland Co. at Milan, 5 p.m.

GOLF

Madison girls host Southwestern, Switzerland Co., 4:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. boys hosts Gallatin Co., 4:30 p.m.

SOCER

Switzerland Co. girls host Rising Sun, 5 p.m.

Madison boys at Batesville, 6 p.m.

Shawe girls host Trinity Lutheran, 6 p.m.

Southwestern girls host Charlestown, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern boys host Greensburg, 5:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison at Scottsburg, 7 p.m.

Southwestern at Milan, 7 p.m.

Trimble Co. hosts Carroll Co., 7 p.m.

SOCCER ROUNDUP

Ayler helps lift Madison girls over Southwestern

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Kyra Ayler scored three goals and Madison had its way with a short-handed Southwestern squad, winning 8-0 in girls soccer Tuesday in Hanover.

Ayler, who now has 14 goals and five assists in eight matches, was joined in the scoring column by Kenzie Smith, who had two goals, and Kylie Montgomery, Addison Roark and Kamea Phelps who scored one goal. Ayler also had two assists, Ellie Mahoney had two assists and Lilly Sullivan and Kenzie Smith each had one.

Goalkeepers Peighton Chatham and Jane Jenner combined for a shutout and everyone who played on the back line combined for a clean sheet for the contest.

Southwestern played the game with just 10 players on a hot night.

"Katja Pretorius played a solid game and tried to rally our team," Southwestern coach Nancy Totten said. "We wish (Madison) well in their season."

Madison, now 5-3 on the season, hosted Class A No. 2 Providence on Thursday and travels to Hauser on Monday.

Southwestern, now 0-4 on the season, host-



David Campbell

Southwestern's Harlee Turner (11) works to control the ball as Madison's Jadelyn Abbott (left) maneuvers for the take-away during Tuesday's girls soccer game in Hanover. The Cubs defeated the Rebels 8-0.

ed Scottsburg on Thursday, hosts Rising Sun on Monday and hosts Charlestown on Tuesday.

SHAWE GIRLS DRAW WITH MILAN

Shawe girls soccer finished in a 3-3 draw with Milan Tuesday on the road.

The Hilltoppers had a chance to win the game late but a goal in the 78th minute was disallowed.

Maria Ameca-Mendoza had two goals for Shawe while Jenna Flint scored one. Malarie Boswell and Justice Kuntz each had assists.



David Campbell

Madison's Kyra Ayler (24) and Kamea Phelps (14) congratulate Kenzie Smith (13) after her goal in the Cubs' 8-0 win at Southwestern on Tuesday.

Shawe, now 4-2-2 overall and 1-1-2 in the Ohio River Valley Conference, hosts Class A No. 6 Trinity Lutheran on Tuesday.

CARROLL BOYS HAMMER HENRY

Carroll County rolled to a 6-1 win over Henry County in boys soccer Monday in New Castle.

Gamaliel Maldonado scored two goals

for the Panthers while Zachary Richards had a goal and an assist. Asriel Mendoza, Gerson Medina and Cesar Castillo each scored goals, Horacio Magdaleno had two assists and Edwin Rodriguez had an assist.

Chris Perez had two saves in goal.

Carroll, now 5-3 overall and 2-0 in the 31st District, travels to Gallatin County on Monday.

CARROLL GIRLS DROP TWO

Carroll County's girls soccer team lost a pair of 31st District seed games earlier this week.

The Panthers dropped a 2-1 decision at Henry County on Monday and 4-0 at home to Gallatin County.

Carroll, now 4-7 overall and 2-2 in the 31st District, hosts Atherton on Saturday. The Panthers travel to Gallatin County on Monday.

GOLF ROUNDUP



Jennifer Willhoite

Carroll County's Dustin Battaglia taps in his conference championship-clinching putt on the first hole of a sudden death playoff with Walton-Verona's Jack Schickling. The two were tied after 18 holes with a pair of 74s.

Carroll's Battaglia wins NCKC golf championships

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Carroll County's Dustin Battaglia shot a 74 to win the North Central Kentucky Conference boys golf championship at Fairway Golf Course in Wheatley on Tuesday.

Battaglia and Walton-Verona's Jack Schickling stood tied at 74 after 18 holes of play but Battaglia made quick work of the sudden death playoff by winning the medalist title on the first hole.

Battaglia had carded an 83 at the NCKC tourney in 2023 when the Panthers won the conference championship with a four-man total of 320. Carroll didn't fare as well as a team Tuesday as the Panthers placed fourth overall with a 337.

Owen County shot a 305 to easily win the girls cham-

pionship with Walton-Verona firing a 311 to win the boys title. Owen County's Lucy Dunavent was the girls' low-medalist with a 68.

Trimble County's girls shot a 455 to place fifth overall while Carroll did not field a complete team. Alana Washington shot a 95 to lead Trimble while Kendall Holbrook had a 101, River Smith had a 122 and Kenlee McIntyre a 137.

Henry County was the boys runner-up at 325, Owen County was third two strokes back at 327. Trimble County was fifth with a 331 and Gallatin County was sixth with a 327.

Carroll's Luke Taylor finished third overall with a 75 to earn all-con-

ference while Trimble's Dalton Penick and Collin Stark each shot 78 to earn all-conference honors.

Dalton Wilson had an 89 for Carroll, Brayden McIntyre had a 99 and Coy Willhoite a 108. Liam Taylor had a 92 for Trimble, Case Keeton had a 93 and Wyatt Wilson had a 126.

Both Carroll and Trimble competed at Fairway on Wednesday with Henry County shooting a 170 to win the event, Carroll firing a 186 and Trimble a 190.

Stark led the Raiders with a 37, Penick had a 40, Taylor had a 50, Keeton a 61 and Nate Hance a 66. No individual results for Carroll were available.

Both teams will compete at Cardinal Hills on Tuesday.



Submitted

Madison's Gabe Wall-Polly displays his 3.72-pound keeper bass. Despite finishing alone, Wall-Polly led the Cubs at the high school bass fishing event at Patoka Lake.

Madison anglers wrap up season at Patoka Lake

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison Consolidated High School's bass fishing team finished its 2024 regular season on Saturday on a brisk windy day at Patoka Lake.

A total of 63 teams entered the tournament with 31 weighing keepers. The high winds and end of summer boat traffic made for rough conditions that challenged equipment and forced a few boats off the water early with mechanical issues.

For the Cubs, three teams weighed in fish at the event with no one catching more than one bass. The tournament was won by Mitchell's Caedon Goldsberry and Cooper McFadden with 12.01 pounds. Scottsburg's Jayden Reardon and Cason Owens finished second with 10.88 pounds.

In the junior division, Jacob Moon and Eastan Windell finished first with 7.40 pounds and John Brown and Julianne Sorg finished second with 5.8 pounds.

Madison had a couple of substitutions in the boats and as captains as Sept. 7

proved to be a busy weekend for the team's dual sport athletes and captains. That also kept several of the Madison anglers on the sidelines.

Top finishing Cubs: Junior Division — Brantley Conover had one keeper for 2.67 pounds and seventh place with his Week 4 partner Floyd Davis IV. High School Division — Gabe Wall-Polly had one keeper for 3.72 pounds and fished without a partner this week; Ayden Liter had one keeper for 3.45 pounds with his partner Braxton Bray.

Anglers Grant Comer and Wyatt Overpeck, Cooper Chandler and Owain Kelsey, Nick Johnson and Carson Craig, Brayden Perry and Clayton Ross, and Kohen Smith and Nate Adams were unable to land a keeper. Anglers Mitchell and Carson Cammack were on the sidelines without a captain.

The final tournament of the 2024-2025 season is the High School State Championship, tentatively scheduled for next April 18-19.

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Hanover knocks off IUS to remain unbeaten on the season

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover College volleyball remained unbeaten on the season with a four-set win at Indiana-Southeast on Tuesday.

As it has done several times this season, Hanover spotted its opponent a first-set win before taking over the match and winning 21-25, 25-19, 25-16, 25-19.

Elliot Mays had a big game for Hanover, posting 12 kills, 22 digs and two blocks. Maggie Schweitzer had 22 assists.

Hanover improved to 7-0 on the season with the win. The Panthers host the Hanover Invitational this weekend, facing Blackburn and Rhodes on Friday and Trine and Kenyon on Saturday. Hanover then hosts Asbury next Wednesday.

MADISON BEATS RIPLEY IN 3

Madison scored a three-set win over South Ripley on the road in volleyball on Monday.

After a tough first set, the Cubs rolled to the 27-25, 25-19, 25-16 win.

Lilly Canida had nine kills and three aces for Madison while Brittan Neuman also had nine aces.

Madison, now 7-6 on the season, hosted East Central on Wednesday and hosts Trinity Lutheran on Monday and travels to Scottsburg on Tuesday.



Carroll County's Audrey Adams receives serve as libero Andrews Cotero backs up the play in the Panthers' 3-0 volleyball loss at 31st District rival Henry County on Tuesday. The loss was Carroll's seventh straight and the Panthers are now 10-3, 0-4 district.

TRIMBLE KNOCKS OFF OWEN

Trimble County picked up a 3-1 win over Owen County in volleyball on Tuesday on the road.

The Raiders won 25-7, 25-12, 21-25, 25-13.

Anna Benecke had 15 kills, seven digs and four aces to lead Trimble, Anna Brierly had seven kills, 21 digs and 10 aces, Bella Stewart had seven kills, Alana Washington had 33 assists, eight digs and four aces and Hannah Chilton had eight assists.

Trimble, now 8-6 overall and 4-1 in the 31st District, traveled to Gallatin

County on Thursday and faces Atherton at Franklin County on Friday. The Raiders host Carroll County on Tuesday.

SOUTHWESTERN FALLS TO RISING SUN

Southwestern volleyball dominated the first set but then dropped the next three to lose a match in four sets to Rising Sun Tuesday at home.

The Rebels won the opener 25-14 but then stumbled 25-9 in set two and was out-battled 27-25 in set three before the Shiners closed out the match 25-17 in the fourth.

Alli Birchfield had a

big serving game, going 19-for-20 at the line with five aces. She also had 12 digs.

Jenna Owens was 11-for-11 serving, eight kills and 14 digs, Hillarie Buchanan was 10-of-12 serving with two aces and 22 assists and Harlee Hill was 9-of-11 serving with 13 kills and 13 digs.

Southwestern, now 7-5 overall and 0-1 in the Ohio River Valley Conference, hosted Jac-Cen-Del on Thursday and competes in the Corydon Invitational on Saturday. The Rebels travel to Milan next Tuesday.

CARROLL FALLS TO HENRY

Carroll County suffered a three-set loss at Henry County in volleyball on Tuesday.

The Panthers lost 25-13, 25-12, 25-6.

Henry County had three players with seven more kills as Riley Denny and Karman Price hammered seven kills each and Claire Ramsey led the Wildcats with eight kills and seven digs. Dakota Fitzgerald tallied 19 assists, nine service aces and six digs.

Carroll, now 3-10 overall and 0-5 in the 31st District, hosted Eminence on Thursday and travels to Francis Parker on Saturday and to Trimble County on Tuesday.



A'ja Wilson goes to the basket Wednesday night for two of her 27 points on as Indiana's Temi Fagbenle defends. Las Vegas beat Indiana for the 14th straight meeting.

Wilson WNBA's single-season scoring leader as Aces beat Fever 14th straight time

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — A'ja Wilson

son became the WNBA's single-season scoring leader and finished with 27 points and 12 rebounds to help the Las Vegas Aces beat the Indiana Fever 86-75 on Wednesday night for their 14th straight win in the series.

Wilson passed Jewell Loyd's total of 939 points on a jumper from the free-throw line with 26.4 seconds left before half-time. Wilson needed just 35 games to top last year's record by Loyd, who needed 38 games. Wilson's previous high was 912 points, set in 40 games last season.

She finished the game with 956 points this season and could potentially be the first player in league history to reach 1,000 in a year.

After Indiana got within 72-66, Wilson scored eight straight Las Vegas points in a two-minute span for an 80-71 lead with 4:04 left. The Aces didn't score again until Wilson completed a three-point play with 1:04 left.

Indiana had a chance to get within 80-76 but Caitlin Clark missed a wide open 3-pointer.

Wilson found Alysha Clark in the corner for a 3-pointer with 34.2 seconds left and then sealed the game with a steal at the other end.

Las Vegas is the only team Indiana has not beaten this season. The Fever will get another chance when the teams meet again on Friday.

The Aces

Alysha Clark finished with 14 points, Tiffany Hayes added 12 and Chelsea Gray scored 11 for Las Vegas (23-13).

Caitlin Clark struggled from the 3-point line in going 1 of 10, but she finished with 16 points on 6-of-22 shooting overall for Indiana (19-18). Kelsey Mitchell scored a team-high 24 points for her third straight game with 20-plus.

Wilson, who entered 11 points away from passing Loyd, scored 10 points in the first quarter and Hayes added eight as Las Vegas led 20-18.

COURIER AREA SPORTS SHORTS

BY THE COURIER STAFF

• Several local athletes have been honored by the Ohio River Valley Conference as players of the week.

Southwestern's Savannah Nussbaum was the girls cross country runner of the week for the second time with a school-record 19:50 clocking at the Columbus North Invitational.

Southwestern's Lilly Fox and Switzerland County's Makayla Bowlin shared girls golf honors after they both shot 98 to tie for medalist honors at the ORVC Championships.

Shaw's Gus Grote and Southwestern's Henry Knauer tied for the boys soccer award. Grote had five goals and an assist in two matches and Knauer had six goals and an assist in two matches.

Justice Kuntz won the award in girls soccer with four goals and three assists against Austin.

• Southwestern junior varsity tennis picked up four wins over Brownstown at home on Monday.

In singles, Kingston Elliott won two matches, both by scores of 6-4. Luke Coles and Kobe Rogers won 6-4 in doubles and Shane Hardy and Ryan Hall won 6-2, also in doubles.

• Madison's boys and

Shaw's girls both claimed wins in the Switzerland County Junior High Cross Country Invitational on Tuesday.

Madison scored 25 points to win the boys race. Shawe was second with 37 and Switzerland County was third with 68.

Results for Madison

were: Declan Jenkins, second, 11:25; Luke Horvath, fourth, 12:10;

Luke Ferguson, fifth, 12:41; Alex Miller, sixth, 12:54; Heshi Miller, eighth, 13:05; Kiann Mistry, 21st, 16:13; and Aurelio Perez-Bolo, 24th, 16:34.

Results for Shawe

were: Sam Gish, first, 11:18; Cohenn Hambrick, third, 11:51; John Paul Guetig, 11th, 13:26; Martin Wilhelm, 12th, 13:35; Gabe Krulik, 14th, 14:51; Finn Reed, 15th, 14:51; Camden Green, 16th, 14:55; and Dylan Schafer, 20th, 15:48.

Results for Switzerland

were: Clayton Bear, seventh, 12:57; Cole Geyman, ninth, 13:11;

Gavin Geyman, 17th, 15:07; Cam Riley, 18th, 15:09; Porter Rose, 22nd, 16:26; and Corbin Pietro, 23rd, 16:32.

Results for Carroll

County were: Henry Mefford, 10th, 13:12;

Johnathan Pirtle, 19th, 15:43.

Shawe scored 32 points to win the girls race with

Madison second with 37 and Switzerland third with 57.

Results for Shawe

were: Lealynn Hambrick, second, 12:44; Ari Alderman, third, 12:52;

Holland Kring, sixth, 14:02; Olivia Hill, 11th, 14:41; Elaina Badillo, 12th, 14:42; Maci Couch, 30th, 18:48; and Emily Cissell, 32nd, 20:13.

Results for Madison

were: AnneBelle Laufer, fourth, 13:16; Ava Canida, fifth, 13:46; Kate Canida, eighth, 14:04; Madison Couch, 10th, 14:36; River Porter, 13th, 14:47; Malaya Conway, 14th, 14:55; Blair Ralston, 15th, 15:12; Emily Geyman, 16th, 15:19; Sally Geyman, 17th, 15:26; Lily Hornbrook, 18th, 16:00;

Emme Goodknight, 21st, 17:12; EmmaJean Plumm, 27th, 18:15; and Anna Mahoney, 31st, 18:56; and Eva Lohrig, 34th, 29:07.

Results for Switzerland

County were: Claire Boggs, first, 12:28; Sadie Kelso, ninth, 14:34;

Brindley Bear, 19th, 16:09; Lilly Westmeier, 22nd, 17:31; Gabby Day, 23rd, 17:40; Evelyn Messer, 24th, 17:45; Pressley Keith, 25th, 18:10; Lila Partin, 28th, 18:20; and Regan Hatton, 33rd, 20:18.

• Shawe battled

Switzerland County to a 1-1 draw in junior high boys

soccer on Monday.

Tanner Sims had a goal

for the Hilltoppers.

On Wednesday, Shawe

hammered Austin 9-0.

Liam Miller, Carlos Graterol, Patrick Kahn,

Cameron Young, Clark Nichter, Ayden Dempler, Jaydan Kinman, Sam Gish and Caleb Gall each had a goal. David Ibarra had two

assists while Gish, Miller and Young each had one assist.

Shawe is now 7-1 on the season.

How Is Your Annuity Taxed?



Layin' it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad
Retirement Planning/
Wealth Management

As you navigate the retirement landscape, understanding the tax implications of your investments, particularly annuities, is paramount. Annuities are famous for their tax-deferred growth, but it's essential to grasp their taxation nuances to optimize your retirement income.

Tax-Deferred Growth

Annuities offer the benefit of tax-deferred growth, meaning you don't pay taxes on gains until funds are withdrawn or payments begin. This allows your investment to grow unhindered by taxes.

However, this doesn't equate to tax evasion; instead, it's a deferment, with the tax bill eventually coming due upon withdrawal. If income is taken as a monthly payout, the tax liability can also be extended out over the payout period.

There are details to using this tax spread out system.

Disclaimer: Make sure you consult a licensed and authorized professional before acting. It is called the Exclusion ratio, more info about it below.

Qualified vs. Non-Qualified Annuities

The taxation of your annuity largely hinges on whether it's qualified or non-qualified. Qualified annuities, usually part of employer-sponsored

plans like 401(k)s or IRAs, are funded with pre-tax dollars. Taxes on these annuities are deferred until withdrawal.

In contrast, non-qualified annuities are funded with after-tax dollars. Here, only the earnings portion is subject to tax upon withdrawal. This distinction is vital in planning your retirement finances, as it influences the amount you'll owe in taxes.

The Exclusion Ratio in Non-Qualified Annuities

An exclusion ratio is applied to determine the taxable income portion for non-qualified annuities. This ratio considers the principal amount, annuity duration, interest earnings, and life expectancy. If you outlive your expected life span, payments received after that become fully taxable, as the principal is deemed to have been fully withdrawn.

Early Withdrawals and Lump-Sum Distributions

Withdrawals before age 59 1/2 from an annuity can lead to a 10% penalty on the taxable portion. Opting for a lump-sum withdrawal, post-59 1/2 triggers tax on that year's earnings. Significantly, all withdrawals are taxed as ordinary income, not capital gains, affecting your tax liability.

Last-In-First-Out (LIFO) Tax Rules

Non-qualified annuities follow LIFO tax rules, meaning early withdrawals are taxed as earnings first, raising tax liability in the initial years. Once earnings are fully withdrawn, subsequent amounts are considered tax-exempt principal returns.

Taxation of Income Payments

Income payments from non-qualified annuities include a tax-free principal return and a taxable earnings portion. This division helps evenly spread tax liabilities over the expected number of payments.

Inheriting Annuities

Inheriting an annuity comes with its own tax considerations. For inherited qualified annuities, the tax rules mirror those of purchased ones, with ordinary income tax applied on withdrawals. Non-qualified

inherited annuities offer more complex tax scenarios, depending on the beneficiary's chosen payout method. Beneficiaries can mitigate tax impacts by stretching payouts or converting qualified annuities into Roth IRAs, which offer tax-free future withdrawals.

Reporting Annuity Income on Tax Returns

Regarding tax reporting, annuity payments must be declared using a 1099-R form. This form is essential for reporting distributions from retirement savings products, including annuities, and is a crucial part of your annual tax filings. Understanding the tax implications of annuities is critical in retirement planning.

By grasping the nuances of qualified and non-qualified annuities, early withdrawal penalties, LIFO rules, and the tax treatment of inherited annuities, you can better manage your retirement income and reduce tax liabilities. Consider consulting with a trusted financial advisor to tailor these insights to your situation.

• Growth and Taxes: Annuities grow tax-deferred, with taxes applicable on withdrawals.

• Annuity Types: Different tax treatments for qualified (pre-tax) and non-qualified (post-tax

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Monday, Sept. 9

Instructional

Reds 17, Green Machine 7 — Gavin Ungu and Cole McQuerry both scored 3 runs for the Reds. Mackenzie Williams, Macklin Jones and Carter Jones all scored 2 runs for the Green Machine.

Boys Coach Pitch

Blue Jays 20, Reds 3 — Ryker Leach scored 4 runs for the Blue Jays. Nolan Seaver scored 2 runs for the Reds.

Mean Green 16, Reds 5 — Everett Chang and Maxx Goode both scored 4 runs for the Mean Green. Quincy

Harvey and Nolan Seaver both scored 2 runs for the Reds.

Boys Machine Pitch

Reds 23, Royals 19 — Brycen Davidson and Carter Shepherd both scored 3 runs for the Reds. Mason Brawner, Eli Pelsor and Quentin Stotts all scored 3 runs for the Royals.

Reds 22, White Sox 13 — Brycen Davidson scored 4 runs for the Reds. Graham Mouser and Brayden Demaree both scored 3 runs for the White Sox.

Boys Kid Pitch

Braves 10, Cardinals 7

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Girls Coach Pitch

Royal Firecrackers 13, Red Tigers 12 — Ainsley Yount, Addison Neher, Elli Barnes and Addy Hicks all

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IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF KAREN KAY WILSON, DECEASED.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KAREN KAY WILSON, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that Melvin Ray Wilson was, on the 29th day of August, 2024, appointed personal representative of the estate of Karen Kay Wilson, deceased, who died on the 15th day of July, 2024.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 29th day of August, 2024.

/s/ Tabitha Eblen
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, IN
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STATE OF INDIANA
SS:
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY ESTATE DOCKET 39C01-2408-EU-000059

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF JONAS N. SCHLABACH, DECEASED.

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All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 4th day of September, 2024.

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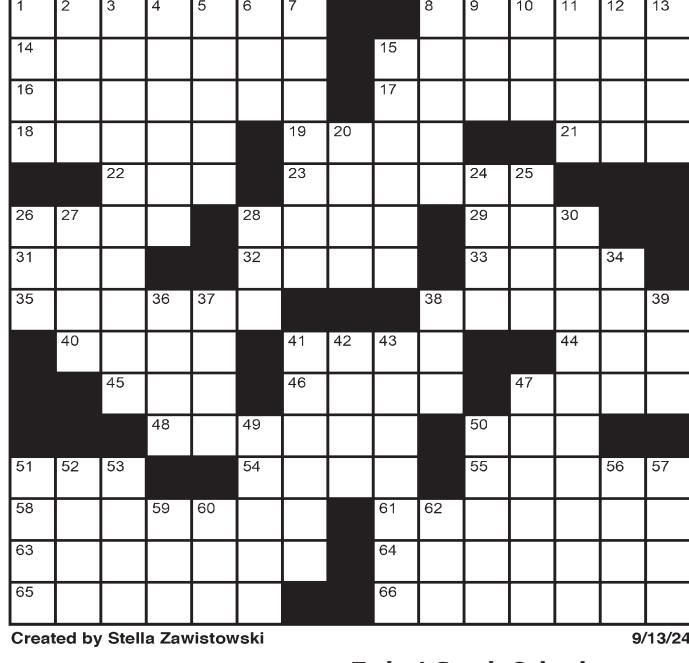
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ACROSS

1 Cake or sundae
8 Sticks for twirling
14 Snake with a warning sound
15 Cola, e.g.: 2 wds.
16 Greed
17 Have some water
18 Fathered, in the Bible
19 Astronaut Armstrong
21 Headed up
22 She-sheep
23 Narrow candles
26 "What are the ?"
28 Party giver
29 Not Rx, as meds: Abbr.
31 2016 Olympics city
32 Go __ great detail
33 "About the author" blurbs
35 Chides
38 Language in Berlin
40 The E in HOMES
41 Address for a king
44 Pizza, e.g.
45 Poseidon's realm
46 Oak or pine
47 Only
48 Reveal
50 "Help, please!"
51 Play a kazoo
54 Simplify
55 Lawnmower part
58 First Lady Adams
61 Nonsensical
63 Stays behind
64 Lack of sound
65 Light refractors
66 Came into view

DOWN

1 Very dull
2 Icicles' spot
3 Broadway theater entrances: 2 wds.
4 Sipping utensils
5 A-list group



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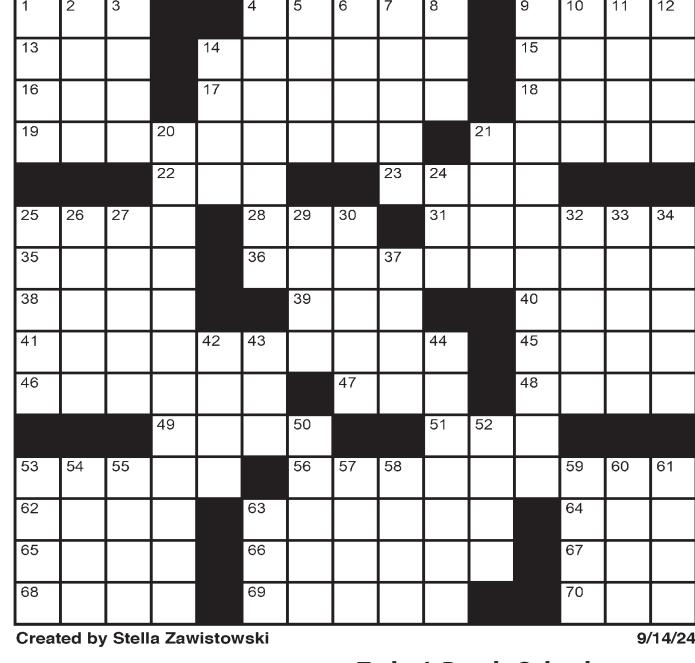
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38 Draped garment
39 Slimy stuff
40 Nana
41 8x8 game surface
45 Lease
46 Longtime friend: 2 wds.
47 Casual top
48 Poems of praise
49 Lo-cal
51 Tallahassee school: Abbr.
53 From the area
56 Candy suckers
62 "Hi, sailor!"
63 Reddish-brown color
64 Fish eggs
65 Towlette
66 Takes in
67 Bitter beer
68 Fly high
69 Canadian birds
70 Was in charge

ACROSS

1 Tiny portion of butter
4 Last but not __
9 Police officers
13 Fast-running bird
14 Actor Bardem
15 Death notice, for short
16 Chicken portion
17 Some time in the future: 2 wds.
18 Smelling organ
19 Picture-posting social media platform
21 Subs in sports
22 www.yale.__
23 Moselle tributary
25 "Crap!"
28 __ not going to be easy"
31 Financial gain
35 "Sounds good!": 2 wds.
36 Where to sign: 2 wds.



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Today's Puzzle Solved



3 Insects
4 Lacking in energy
5 At any time
6 Verdi opera
7 Baseball features
8 Attempt
9 Clinical trial component: 2 wds.
10 Wind instrument
11 Leaning Tower city
12 Flower stalk
14 "The Grapes of Wrath" name
20 Rafael Nadal, e.g.: 2 wds.
21 Poet of old
24 Gorilla, e.g.
25 '70s genre
26 __ and the Night Visitors"
27 Stuck in mud
29 For takeaway: 2 wds.
30 Weasel type
32 Dismissed
33 Foolish
34 Camp shelters

Wife fears she's abusing husband with Alzheimer's

Dear Eric: My husband of almost 60 years has Alzheimer's. At this point, he does not know who I am other than "some nice lady" who comes to see him. I initiate and have sex with him. Our initial dating and marriage were very sexual but went on to deteriorate due to his multiple flings and affairs. By the time he was diagnosed, we had not had sex in more than 20 years.

Not that it matters, I never had any kind of affairs. He was not a very good husband, he made major decisions on his own and came and went as he pleased. He was also a bit of a bully and critical. I stayed because I didn't think I could make it on my own. Now, with the disease, he is very sweet. Is this senior abuse? Much as I'm enjoying it, and he seems to also, it somehow seems wrong.

— Unknown Wife

Dear Wife: There's a lot here, so I want to be precise. While some may think that older adults with Alzheimer's or dementia can't consent to sex, experts in the field of gerontology disagree. In a 2023 study called "The Sexual Consent Potential Model," researchers Nathalie Huitema, Ph.D., and Maggie Syme, Ph.D.,



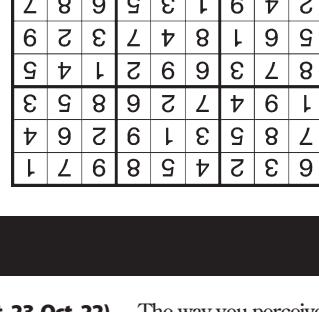
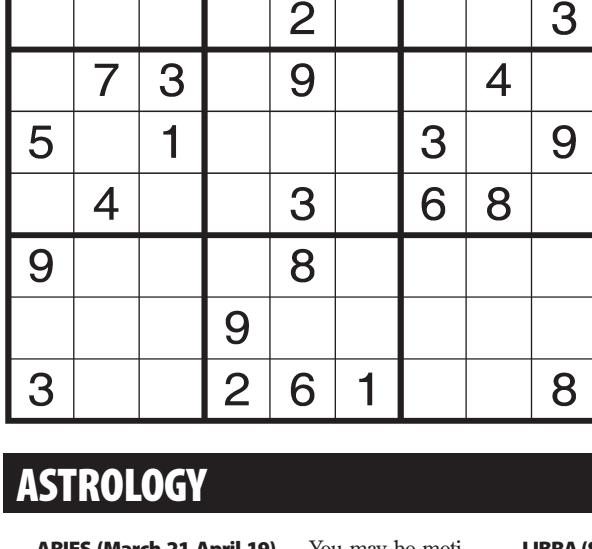
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wrote, "To thrive, we need relationships, we need touch and we need connection. Individuals who live in nursing home settings and who may have cognitive concerns are no different." To address this, they came up with a multi-part process for determining a person's "various possibilities of meeting sexual and/or intimacy needs at any level of cognition."

So, it is possible your husband is able to consent, even without the ability to recognize you. However, and this is a huge however, you're putting yourself and him at risk if the facility where he's being cared for doesn't have a sexual expression policy and hasn't evaluated his cognitive ability with respect to consent. In 2014, an Iowa man was charged with abuse of his wife because the staff at her nursing home didn't think she had the ability to consent due to her Alzheimer's. The law varies by state, and each facility has different training and policies. So, continuing to have sex with your husband requires a lot more communication on your part.

I also fear that some of your resentment you endured is playing a role in all of this. I'm sorry for the way he treated you. I don't think this is the safe path to healing, though.

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You may be motivated by a need to prove the depth of your commitment and trustworthiness. Enjoy the position your skills may have earned for you. Shifting your focus to new projects might give you a chance to prove your talent.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Don't make changes in relationships without much thought. Put drive and initiative to good use if you find yourself inspired. Consider making your own original project and expand your horizons through creative and constructive activities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Being reasonable, tolerant, and gracious could be your superpowers. With a strong desire for the best of everything and the determination to achieve it, you could advance much faster by demonstrating a willingness to compromise.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Long term peace and tranquility may be achieved if you take some time to organize your plans sensibly. Honest and faithful companions may give good insight into your goals. This may be a good day to discuss your intentions with a partner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Turn your dreams into reality by putting in the effort. You might need to delegate tasks or ask for help to get things started. What truly matters is igniting the flame of enthusiasm in someone, so they might feel more inspired to take charge and dive in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Your charm and thoughtfulness could take someone by surprise when they see you in a new, more flattering light. When you present yourself in public, people may perceive you as trustworthy. Always put your best and most authentic foot forward.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — The way you perceive yourself shapes how other people understand you. It may be time to stop hiding your light and show the world who you are. People might appreciate your honesty and be more willing to share their true selves with you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Stay true to your goals and honor your commitments even in less-than-ideal situations. You may be challenged by someone's unpredictable behavior or unexpected changes to your plans. Your understanding could make everything better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Your thoughtful ideas may make it easier for people to come to an agreement that will be beneficial for everyone involved. Generous friends and supportive partners might make your life easier and fulfilling on multiple levels.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Expedite and home in on your interests in ways that are equal and fair to everyone involved. You may use your resources to explore topics of interest in new and creative ways. Invitations to social gatherings might be worth accepting.

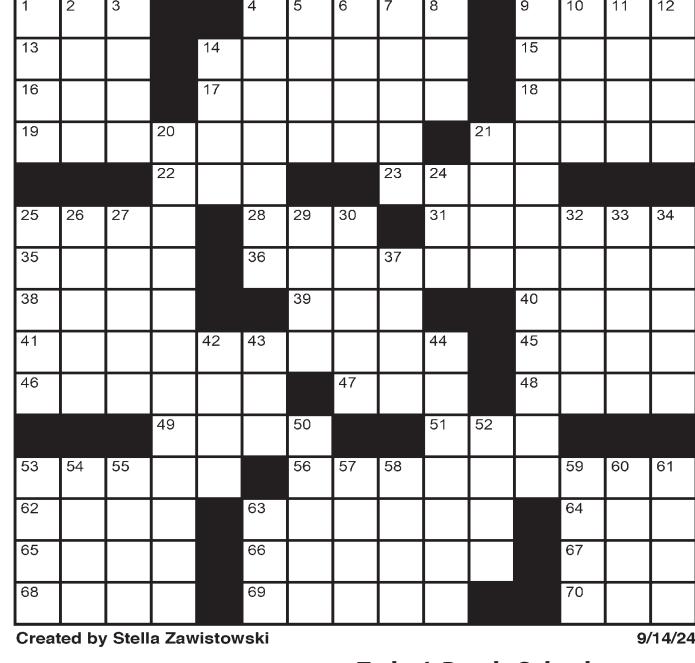
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ACROSS

1 Tiny portion of butter
4 Last but not __
9 Police officers
13 Fast-running bird
14 Actor Bardem
15 Death notice, for short
16 Chicken portion
17 Some time in the future: 2 wds.
18 Smelling organ
19 Picture-posting social media platform
21 Subs in sports
22 www.yale.__
23 Moselle tributary
25 "Crap!"
28 __ not going to be easy"
31 Financial gain
35 "Sounds good!": 2 wds.
36 Where to sign: 2 wds.



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Today's Puzzle Solved



3 Insects
4 Lacking in energy
5 At any time
6 Verdi opera
7 Baseball features
8 Attempt
9 Clinical trial component: 2 wds.
10 Wind instrument
11 Leaning Tower city
12 Flower stalk
14 "The Grapes of Wrath" name
20 Rafael Nadal, e.g.: 2 wds.
21 Poet of old
24 Gorilla, e.g.
25 '70s genre
26 __ and the Night Visitors"
27 Stuck in mud
29 For takeaway: 2 wds.
30 Weasel type
32 Dismissed
33 Foolish
34 Camp shelters

DOWN

1 Sandwich shop
2 "Hallelujah!"

Husband keeping wife in the dark about finances

Dear Eric: I'm a 62-year-old female and have been married to my second husband (a 65-year-old male) for 30 years. Never once has my husband divulged to me what his financial situation is. Now that I am disabled and don't work anymore, I depend on him financially. He just tells me to not spend so much. I don't by any means. I have no idea where we stand. I've asked him many times to sit down with me and plan a budget. I am on a fixed income — he still works. I feel like I'm going through life fiscally blind. What can I say to convince him?

— Hidden Accounts

Dear Accounts: Let's focus on long-term care and stability should he predecease you. Ask him what his end-of-life plans are. Does he have a will? How will you know what his accounts are, should you survive him?

A wise friend once advised me that every couple should have a binder where copies of everything important are stored: birth certificates, marriage licenses, deeds, bank account information, etc. Framing your concerns as questions about long-term planning may help him understand.

Generously, I want to assume his reticence is due to machismo, i.e., he wants to take care of you. Withholding info, especially when it's asked for repeatedly, is just awful in a marriage.

Dear Eric: I am a 58-year-old woman. I have been dating my current partner for eight years. He is a talented, sensitive, complicated man.

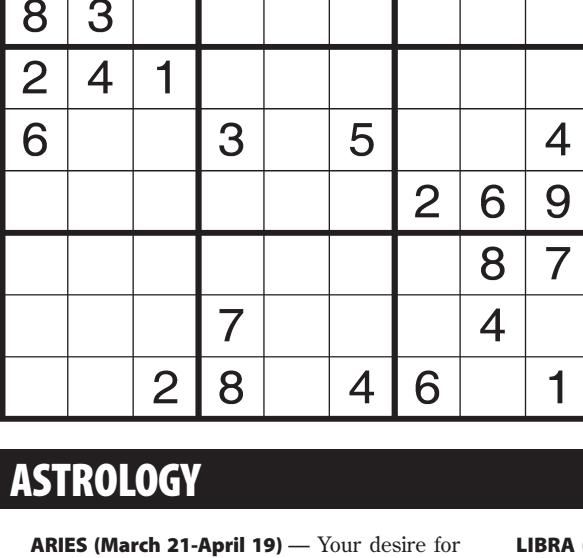
If we have a disagreement, he can get mean, tends to call me names, monopolizes the conversation and rarely understands why I am upset. He wants the focus on his feelings only. I need to understand why he turns into a different person when we argue, but I will not get an answer from him because he thinks I am lashing out and putting him down.

— Confused Partner

Dear Partner: The way your partner is has the hallmarks of emotional abuse, which is a form of intimate partner violence. It is not your fault that he seems to turn into a different person. You are not causing him to belittle you, and it isn't lashing out for you to express how his behavior makes you feel.

You two can address his actions in therapy, but the first thing you should do is take care of yourself and your emotional well-being. The National Domestic Violence Hotline is available 24/7 at 800-799-7233 or by texting BEGIN to 88788. Please reach out, even if you feel that it's not that bad when you're not arguing. Reaching out isn't a commitment or an indictment. It's a way of being heard, which you deserve.

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your desire for intimacy might be misunderstood. Someone's expectations might exceed your current abilities, possibly leading to conflicts. Consider being more cautious when dealing with sensitive emotions or financial issues.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You might encounter someone who lifts you out of a tough spot. Creative ideas are plentiful that could assist you in your tasks or simply inspire you. Remember that spending a little more for better quality may be worthwhile.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Be a good sport and enjoy entertaining activities with pleasant companions. It may be best to avoid making business deals and major financial expenditures. A few well-placed words could ignite the generosity of those around you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — It might be necessary to define what it is that you want versus what you need. You may decide to take the initiative but understand that mix-ups could occur. Someone else may have drawn up some intricate and complex plans.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — A new special friendship may brighten your weekend. Perhaps you have found someone who shares your interests or philosophy. Consider going slow in taking on new obligations and avoid jumping into anything too big, too soon.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — A wild weekend might be on the horizon if strong emotions go unmet. It may be wise to resist the temptation to chase after the latest trendy attraction. Relationships started under these circumstances could end up being costly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Your charm may be tested at inopportune times. Quick thinking and past experiences are your best allies. It might not seem like the right moment to make big decisions, but perhaps better opportunities are around the corner.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Being true to yourself is the best gift you could offer. Be cautious against agreeing to everything and value sincerity over empty flattery. Keep your feet firmly on the ground when it comes to your goals and commitments.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — It is important to recharge whether or not your energy feels depleted. A night with friends without any pressure could give you a second wind. Remember to take care of your personal life, not just your professional life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You could feel loving and kind while social activities might capture your attention. Consider delaying making any major spending decisions until next week and consult with trusted advisors about any pending matters.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You are heading where you look, so look far ahead. If you only concentrate on the current obstacle or blockage that is where you could end up. Focus on where you want to be and how to get there, not on the barriers in the way.

Packers aren't ruling out Love against Colts

BY STEVE MEGARTEE
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GREEN BAY, Wis. — Green Bay Packers coach Matt LaFleur still isn't ruling out the possibility Jordan Love could play Sunday against the Indianapolis Colts as the quarterback recovers from a knee injury that has kept him from practicing.

Love injured his left medial collateral ligament Friday on the third-to-last play of the Packers' season-opening 34-29 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles in Brazil. LaFleur said Love doesn't necessarily have to practice this week to be ready to play in Sunday's game.

"But at the same time, like I told you guys, he's got to be cleared," LaFleur said. "We've got to feel like he can protect himself, and he's got to be confident enough to go out there and do that. Until that happens, we are not even going to think about that."

While Love continues his recovery, Malik Willis is preparing for the likelihood he will start a game for Green Bay less than three weeks after

the Packers acquired him from the Tennessee Titans.

Willis was asked Wednesday how much of the playbook he knows.

"I'm not sure I'd put a percentage on it," Willis said. "Just trying to, whatever we have in each day, try to come in, diagnose it, study it the night before and be able to go out there and execute."

LaFleur compared the situation to his 2018 stint as Tennessee's offensive coordinator, when the Titans turned to Blaine Gabbert after starting quarterback Marcus Mariota got injured in the season opener.

At least in that instance, Gabbert had been with the Titans throughout training camp. The Packers just added Willis in a trade that was finalized Aug. 27.

Willis' only three previous career starts came as a rookie with Tennessee in 2022. The Titans went 1-2 in those games, and Willis didn't top 100 yards passing in any of them.

He went 6 of 10 for 55 yards with an interception in a 17-10 victory at

Houston, a game in which Tennessee attempted only one pass after halftime. He was 5 of 16 for 80 yards with no touchdown passes or interceptions in a 20-17 overtime loss at Kansas City. And he was 14 of 23 for 99 yards with two interceptions and no touchdown passes in a 19-14 home loss to the Texans.

"I wasn't ready yet, but I had to go in," Willis said Wednesday of that rookie experience. "I'm a different player than then."

Willis said he has learned plenty since and is more prepared for this second chance to start. Willis credits the way he worked last year while appearing in only three games as a reserve.

"You just prepare until you get an opportunity," said Willis, a 2022 third-round pick from Liberty. "That's the way this league works. You've got guys like Taylor Heinicke, you've got guys all over the league that have been in positions where they weren't starting or they weren't playing, and they just continued to work and work and

work. And when they get the opportunity, they can put something good on tape. That's all you want to do, is put something good on tape for yourself and the opportunity to go out and perform the best that you can."

The Titans deemed Willis expendable after Mason Rudolph beat him out for the right to back up Will Levis. The Packers then acquired Willis for a 2025 seventh-round pick.

Little did they know at the time how soon they'd need him.

Green Bay's receivers say they have faith in Willis. Dontayvion Wicks says he already was familiar with him because they attended nearby colleges, with Wicks at Virginia and Willis at Liberty. Jayden Reed said he was impressed once he saw Willis' passes

"That he could spin it, that was just my first thought when I first saw him throw the ball," Reed said.

The real chance to make an impression should come Sunday. Willis is working over-

time trying to establish a rhythm with these teammates he's just getting to know.

"At the end of the day, the reality is I just got here, so it's going to be a little bit in overdrive, not (like) a normal week as if I've been here the whole time," Willis said. "But we're definitely going to be taking it day by day

and just doing what we can each day to prepare ourselves for Sunday."

NOTES: Love was the only Packer who didn't practice at all Wednesday. CB Corey Ballentine (oblique), DL Kenny Clark (toe), RB Josh Jacobs (back) and RB MarShawn Lloyd (hamstring) were limited. Lloyd didn't play against the Eagles.

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